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This Town Report

is dedicated

to the memory of

**Louis Sanborn**

&

**Wilfred “Willie” Wessels**

for their many

years of service

to the Town

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# **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

**of the**

## **TOWN OFFICERS**

**of**

### **FRANCONIA, NH**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING**

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## TOWN OFFICERS

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

John Lachapelle	(Term expires 2014)
Ted Hoyle	(Term expires 2015)
Robert Montagno	(Term expires 2016)

### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Sally L. Small (Appointed)

### TOWN CLERK/ TAX COLLECTOR

Marilyn L. Knowlton (2015)

### TREASURER

Tina D. Peabody (2014)

### MODERATOR

William L. Mead, Sr. (2014)

### ROAD AGENT

Scott Leslie (Appointed)

### HEALTH OFFICER

Dr Charles Wolcott (Appointed)

### AUDITOR

Crane & Bell (Appointed)

### LIFE SQUAD CHIEF

Paul Schmucker (Appointed)

### FIRE CHIEF

Richard Gaudette (Appointed)

### POLICE CHIEF

John K. Monaghan (Appointed)

### WATER COMMISSIONERS

William Downey	(2014) resigned
Ray Pelletier	(2014) appointed
Marcia Graham	(2015)
Richard McLachlin	(2016)

### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Harriet Taylor	(2014)	George Lewis, Chair	(2015)
Peter Ainsworth	(2014)	Charles Lovett	(2015)
Melinda Richmond	(2014)	Sharon Penney	(2016)
		Bill Melekas	(2016)

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### LAFAYETTE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mary Jo Greene	Sugar Hill (2014)
Tina Peabody, Chair	Franconia (2014)
Luther Kinney	Sugar Hill (2015)
Tom Eyman	Franconia (2016)
Linda Gaitskill	Sugar Hill (2016)

#### PROFILE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Christine Ash	Bethlehem (2014)
Lynn Terres	Lafayette (2014)
Kim Shillieto	Bethlehem (2013)
Steven Chardon	Lafayette (2015)
Julie Seeley	Bethlehem (2014)
Carol Cunningham	Lafayette (2016)
Rick Christoffersen	Lafayette (2016)

### TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Kathleen F. Lewis	(2014)
Grace Montagno	(2015)
Vacant	(2016)

### SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Sybil Carey	(2014)
Betsey Phillips	(2015)
Marcia Graham (resigned)	(2016)
James Forrest (appointed)	(2014)

## **SCHOLARSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Kathy Ross, School Representative  
Harriet Taylor, Library Representative  
Tom Eyman, Church Representative

## **PLANNING BOARD**

Lydia Cumbee	(2014)	Mark Hessler-Chairman	(2015)
Richard Reinhold	(2014)	Thad Presby	(2016)
Mary Grote	(2014)	Ted Hoyle – Select Board	(2015)
Brian Williams	(2014)		

## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

Don Lawton	(2014)	Melinda Richmond	(2016)
Phil Krill	(2015)	Mary Fowler	(2016)
Ken Mosedale	(2015)	Lydia Cumbee	(2017)

## **CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Kim Cowles, Chairman	(2014)	Virginia Jeffryies	(2015)
Mary Grote, Planning Board	(2014)	Kathryn McCarthy	(2016)
John Lachapelle	(2014)	William McCarthy	(2016)

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

<b>Easton</b>	<b>Franconia</b>	<b>Sugar Hill</b>
Sue Ford	Beth Horan (2015)	Haley Ireland
Matt Koehler	Adam Boyer (2016)	Launa Glover

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**For the year ending December 31, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash – NOW Account	\$ 332,637.81
Investments – NH-PDIP	1,039,151.17
Taxes Receivable	
Property Taxes – Current	\$225,464.05
Property Taxes – Liens	<u>240,580.69</u>
	466,044.74
Other Accounts Receivable	
Building Inspection Fees	2,275.00
State of NH – EOP Grant	1,500.00
State of MA – Ambulance Transport	113.64
Town of Easton	<u>3,661.93</u>
	7,550.57
Due from Other Funds	
Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund	<u>12,583.50</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$1,857,967.79</b>

**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Payable	\$ 7,154.76
Accrued Payroll Compensation	47,144.17
Due to Other Funds	
Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund 2013	12,859.79
Due to School Districts	
Profile School District	520,825.00
Lafayette Reg. School District	<u>653,705.00</u>
	1,174,530.00
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$1,241,688.72</b>

**FUND EQUITY**

<b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>	<b><u>616,279.07</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; FUND EQUITY</b>	<b>\$1,857,967.79</b>

## **NOTES FROM THE SELECTMEN**

During the past year the Selectboard has dealt with many issues that involve the day to day operation of the Town of Franconia. With the assistance of Town Departments, volunteers, and committee members, it makes the Selectboard's goals easier to accomplish.

The repair to the Dow roof was done this past fall. Funds for this were obtained from last year's warrant article to appropriate the sum of twelve thousand four hundred and sixty-four (\$12,464.00) for the purpose of repairing the Dow Academy clock tower roof. This was one half of the repair cost. The other half came from the Dow Condominium Association. We will continue with available funds and donations to make repairs and ensure the maintenance of the Dow Academy clock. The Selectboard realizes the historic value of the clock and will continue our efforts to ensure its preservation.

This past summer we saw the repair of the front steps and sidewalk of the Abbie Greenleaf Library. This was accomplished with the appropriations of funds from the Town of Franconia and private donations. Town employees, local contractors, and volunteers from the Town of Franconia all worked together to get this project completed in a timely manner with as little inconvenience to the people that use the library facilities. A special thanks to the Library Trustees.

In keeping up with our recreation programs, the Department recently purchased a thirteen passenger Ford van from North Country Ford in Lancaster. The Recreation Department had been in the market for a vehicle for quite some time and after a few attempts to acquire a vehicle they finally got one that meets the needs of the Recreation Department. This was made possible with the Recreation Department funds and donations from people that support the tri-town programs.

We had some changes at the Transfer Station this year. The Franconia Selectboard meets on a quarterly basis with the Selectboard of Easton and Sugar Hill. After discussion with the board members and Transfer Station management, it was determined that all numbered plastic would be accepted for recycling. Previously, the Transfer Station accepted only items numbered one or two. We now accept for recycling all numbered items. This has resulted in a lot less plastic being thrown away in trash bags. The result: less damage to our environment. According to Transfer Station management the system is running smoothly and has not caused any problems in handling the extra workload. We also are continuing to work on drainage around the large compactor.

This past year we saw the passing of four individuals that gave many hours of their time and effort for the benefit of the Town. They include Louis Sanborn, an employee of the Highway Department, Wilfred Wessels, a former Water Commissioner, Kathleen M. Nelson, Trustee of Trust Funds, and Joe Nelson, a former member of the Planning Board.

The Selectboard would like to thank all the volunteers who have given so much of their time and effort generously throughout the year by staffing boards, commissions, committees, events, and panels. The efforts of these people are greatly appreciated by our community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ted Hoyle, Chairman, John Lachapelle, Robert Montagno

## **FRANCONIA TOWN MEETING – MARCH 12, 2013**

Moderator William Mead called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Moderator declared the polls closed at 7:00 p.m.

There was a motion and a second to waive the reading of last year's minutes. The motion passed by voice vote.

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year. (By ballot)  
Ballots Cast: **109**

Selectman (3-year term):

Write-ins:

**Robert J Montagno**      **93**

Ed Bart	1
Darrel Deitlich	1
Dan Fowler	1
John Kennedy	1
Richard McLachlin	2
Jon Peabody	1

Town Clerk/Tax Collector (3-yr term):

**Marilyn L Knowlton**      **108**

Treasurer (1-year term):

**Tina D Peabody**      **103**

Library Trustee (3-year term):

Two Vacancies

**William Mellekas**      **34**

Write-ins:

<b>Sharon Penny</b>	<b>24</b>
Amy Bahr	2
Bernie Costa	1
Carol Fonetu	1
Kathy Mead	1
Joe O'Neil	1
Jon Peabody	1
Mike Streich	2
Harriet Taylor	1

Trustee of the Trust Funds (3-year term):

Write-ins:

Paul Foss	1
Phil Krill	1
Barb Langworthy	1
Kathy Lewis	2
Ken McLeod	1
Grace Montagno	1
Jon Peabody	1
Dinny Richmond	1
Dawn Steele	1
Jim Walker	1

Water Commissioner (3-year term):	<b>Richard McLachlin</b>	<b>94</b>
Write-ins:	Russell Cumbee	1
	Scott Knowlton	1

**SUPPORT FOR A JOINT COMMITTEE OF SELECTMEN, CHIEFS OF FIRE, POLICE & LIFE SQUAD, ALONG WITH OTHERS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW/RENOVATED SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING AT ITS PRESENT LOCATION.**

**IF SO VOTED, A JOINT COMMITTEE OF SELECTMEN, CHIEFS OF FIRE, POLICE & LIFE SQUAD, ALONG WITH OTHERS WILL PREPARE PLANS TO BE PRESENTED AT PUBLIC HEARINGS THIS COMING YEAR.**

**YES/NO VOTE:**

**YES – 93**

**NO – 15**

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate one million four hundred ninety-six thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine dollars (\$1,496,739.00) to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

Executive .....	\$106,249.00
Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics .....	39,124.00
Financial Administration .....	60,596.00
Revaluation of Property .....	19,562.00
Legal Expenses .....	7,000.00
Planning & Zoning .....	5,400.00
General Government Buildings .....	93,715.00
Cemeteries .....	16,813.00
Insurance.....	8,112.00
Advertising & Regional Associations.....	12,681.00
(Chamber of Commerce.....	10,000.00)
(North Country Council .....	1,985.00)
(Regional Airport.....	696.00)

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Police .....	331,774.00
Fire.....	87,900.00
Life Squad .....	54,964.00
Forest Fire.....	3,578.00
Emergency Management .....	3,000.00
Dispatch Phone Lines .....	30,000.00
(Franconia's Share.....	29,500.00)

**HIGHWAYS & STREETS.....** 401,020.00

**UTILITIES .....** 21,500.00

**HEALTH & HOSPITALS.....** 12,332.00

(American Red Cross..... 470.00)

(Ammonoosuc Community Health....4,000.00)

(CASA ..... 500.00)

(Grafton Co. Senior Citizens .....	750.00)
(Health Officer.....	300.00)
(Littleton Regional Hospital .....	1,500.00)
(North Country Home Health .....	2,750.00)
(North Country YMCA.....	250.00)
(Support Center – Burch House.....	520.00)
(White Mt. Mental Health.....	1,292.00)
<b>WELFARE .....</b>	<b>7,600.00</b>
(General Assistance .....	5,000.00)
(CAP .....	2,600.00)
 <b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	
<b>Recreation Programs.....</b>	<b>111,179.00</b>
(Franconia's Share .....	50,661.00)
Parks .....	19,706.00
Patriotic Purposes .....	1,000.00
Museums.....	.334.00
<b>CONSERVATION .....</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE .....</b>	<b>40,600.00</b>
 <b>TOTAL..... (Franconia's Share \$1,435,721.00) .....</b>	<b>\$1,496,739.00</b>

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article highlighting some of the budget increases such as the Emergency Management Plan which allows for training and is required for the town to participate in to be eligible for any FEMA funds if eligible. There was also an increase in the Highway Dept. due to cost increase of gravel which will be used to maintain roads that are in need of repair. There was a question from the floor regarding how the cost of living raise was determined and the Board answered based on the Federal recommendation. A voice vote was taken and Article 2 passed.

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred forty-one thousand dollars (\$141,000.00) to be added to the following Capital Reserve Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Town Buildings Truck, \$5,600; Town Buildings and Grounds Equipment, \$6,100; Highway Trucks, \$48,500; Highway Heavy Equipment, \$9,000; Police Cruisers, \$6,400; Life Squad Van, \$11,000; Fire Equipment Truck, \$6,300; Fire Pumper Truck, \$14,400; Fire Truck Tanker, \$15,200; Fire Safety Equipment, \$10,000; and Reassessment, \$8,500.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article which were appropriations recommended by the Capital Improvements Committee to be added to the Capital Reserve Funds to help with replacements of equipment/vehicles and services. A voice vote was taken and Article 3 passed.

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred thirty-six thousand dollars (\$136,000.00) to be added to the following

Expendable Trust Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Highway Improvement, \$120,000; Town Buildings Maintenance, \$15,000; and Sidewalk Improvement, \$1,000.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article explaining that the large increase in the Highway Improvement amount comes from having to increase the town's portion due to the dwindling funds from the Highway Block Grant Fund. The Board realized that to be able to make any significant headway on the Road plan this needed to be increased. Town Buildings Maintenance Fund has not been added to for a number of years for reasons that the Board did not know and this fund was created to help with maintenance issues of nine town buildings that the Town is responsible for maintaining. A voice vote was taken and Article 4 passed.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) to purchase a 6 wheeler truck for the Highway department and to authorize the withdrawal of one hundred five thousand seven hundred dollars (\$105,700.00) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund, twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to come from trading in the 1995 10 wheeler, and to raise nineteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$19,300.00) from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article explaining that in the past the replacement cycle for trucks of this size had been 20 years and has been decided to go to a 10 year replacement cycle. A voice vote was taken and Article 5 passed.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) from the Recreation Committee's line item budget to the Rink Surface Maintenance Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article explaining that this was a standard annual request to maintain the ice rink. A voice vote was taken and Article 6 passed.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of three hundred two thousand seven hundred eighty dollars (\$302,780.00) for the purpose of solid waste disposal and capital improvements to include the purchase of a skid steer and to pave the entrance of the Transfer Station, with (\$6,055.00) to come from the Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund and (\$4,420.00) from the Transfer Station Improvements Capital Reserve Fund, (\$5,000.00) from trading in the 2006 skid steer, (\$55,367.00) from the Town of Sugar Hill, (\$25,167.00) from the Town of Easton, (\$84,000.00) PAYT Fees, (\$22,500.00) Special Handling Fees, (\$23,500) in Recycled Material, and to raise (\$76,771.00) from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article. A voice vote was taken and Article 7 passed.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighty one thousand dollars (\$81,000.00) for the purpose of operating the Abbie Greenleaf Library and to transfer this amount to the Library Trustees for their use as they see fit. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article. A voice vote was taken and Article 8 passed.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to repair the Abbie Greenleaf Library steps. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article. Jon Peabody made an amendment to Article 9 recommending that the money come from the Town Buildings Maintenance Fund. The amended article read: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to repair the Abbie Greenleaf Library steps to come from the Town Buildings Maintenance Fund. The amended article was read, moved by Jon Peabody and seconded by Marsha Luce. A hand vote was taken and the amended article did not pass. The original article was read again moved and seconded. A voice vote was taken and Article 9 passed as originally written.

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to repair the Abbie Greenleaf Library sidewalk. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article stating that the Highway Dept. would be doing some of the work on this project to keep the cost down. Jon Peabody made an amendment to Article 10 recommending that the money come from the Library Building Maintenance Fund. The amended article read: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) to repair the Abbie Greenleaf Library sidewalk to come from the Library Building Maintenance Fund. The amended article was read, moved by Jon Peabody and seconded by Dan Fowler. A voice vote was taken and the amended Article 10 passed.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200.00) to repair and coat the metal barn roof and restore the cupola of the Franconia Area Heritage Museum. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article. Jon Peabody spoke from the floor and questioned why the Town was not using the money from the Town Buildings Maintenance Fund. The Board said they like to keep a substantial amount in the fund to have on hand in case there is an

unforeseen repair. Jon Peabody made an amendment to Article 11. The amended Article read: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$5,200.00) to repair and coat the metal barn roof and restore the cupola of the Franconia Area Heritage Museum to come from the Town Buildings Maintenance Fund. The amended article was read, moved by Jon Peabody and seconded by Cindy Burnell. A hand vote was taken. 36 Yes, 25 No. The amended Article 11 was passed.

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the town will vote establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Life Squad Equipment and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand two hundred dollars (\$3,200.00) for this purpose and furthermore name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article explaining that the hopes of the Board are to appropriate this same amount over 10 years to be added to CIP. A voice vote was taken and Article 12 passed.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Frost Place Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand nine hundred dollars (\$3,900.00) for this purpose and furthermore name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article stating that this is a new item from CIP with a recommendation of contributing this same amount over the next 4 years. There was a question from the floor asking why the money was not being used from the Town Buildings & Maintenance Fund. There was a motion from the floor to move the question. A voice vote was taken and Article 13 passed.

**ARTICLE 14:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve thousand four hundred and sixty four dollars (\$12,464.00) for the purpose of repairing the Dow Academy Clock Tower roof. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article explaining that the clock was given to the town and bell was left to the children of Franconia and there has been much controversy over who should be in charge of expenses for maintaining the cupola which houses the bell and clock. There was discussion from the floor by people in favor of supporting to expend the funds in order to preserve the clock and bell. There were also comments from the floor about the fact that the Town is not allowed to use facilities or park in Dow Condo parking lot during sporting events at the Dow Field. A member of the Dow Association spoke to this saying that parking is an issue currently for the people and the guests who currently live at the Dow building so there could be no way that it could be opened up to the public for parking. Jon Peabody made an amendment to Article 14. The amended Article read: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand two hundred dollars (\$12,464.00) for the purpose of repairing the Dow Academy Clock Tower roof to come from the Town Buildings Maintenance Fund. The

amended article was read, moved by Jon Peabody and seconded by Dan Fowler. A voice vote was taken. The amended Article 14 did not pass. The Moderator read Article 14 as it was originally written. The article was moved and seconded. A voice vote was taken and Article 14 passed.

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the town vote to support the establishment of the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest in conjunction with neighboring communities and direct the Board of Selectmen to appoint a representative to such governing body as will be formed for the purpose of holding and managing that Community Forest. The Selectmen recommend this article.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article explaining that the Franconia Conservation Commission supported making a donation of funds from the Land Use Change Tax Fund which currently has a balance of \$200,000 to help maintain the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest. A voice vote was taken and Article 15 passed.

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A:4-a, I(a) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds to purchase interests in land outside the boundaries of our municipality, subject to the approval of the local governing body. The Selectmen recommend this article.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. A voice vote was taken and Article 16 passed.

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 36-A: 4-a, I(b) to authorize the conservation commission to expend funds for contributions to “qualified organizations” for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property? The Selectmen recommend this article.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. Eric Pospesil spoke to the article explaining that the association would always need the town's permission via a public hearing each time there is a request for funds. A voice vote was taken and Article 17 passed.

**ARTICLE 18:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to help support the programs of the Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country in their mission to enrich the quality of life of people with disabilities. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle and seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article along with Jack Kennedy who is on the Board of the Adaptive Sports Partners and reported that there were currently 4 clients from Franconia using the program and 29 volunteers from Franconia. A voice vote was taken and Article 18 passed.

**ARTICLE 19:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 (one-thousand and no dollars) to support the Boys & Girls Club of the North Country in order to provide a healthy, safe, and productive after school environment for children from Franconia and other area towns. (By petition) The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle seconded by Sally Small. John Lachapelle spoke to the article explaining that at the budget hearing there was representation reporting that there are participants from Franconia that currently use the program. Bob Tortorice, a member of the Boys & Girls Club Committee read a memo as to why these funds should be donated by the town and what a wonderful program it is trying to give children a healthy environment to spend free time in after school. Ned Densmore also spoke in favor of the program highlighting that there are members from Franconia that use the vacation camp and that there are multiple employees from Garnet Hill whose children participate in the after school program. Nanette Avril requested that an audited copy of the budget be made available. A voice vote was taken and Article 19 passed.

**ARTICLE 20:** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one-thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) to help support The Center for New Beginnings in Littleton, which provides counseling and mental health services to individuals throughout the North Country. In 2012, The Center for New Beginnings provided services for 29 individuals who reside in the Town of Franconia. (By petition) The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle seconded by Sally Small. Ted Hoyle spoke to the article explaining that the Selectmen did not get any personal input from the Center for New Beginnings that was why they were not recommending the appropriation. Mary Fowler and Barry Jacobsen spoke from the floor. Mary was a former member of the board and spoke about what an asset The Center is and how it helps many in all communities. Barry Jacobsen works closely with the Center currently as a minister and asked for the support to keep this program running as it has been very beneficial to many folks in the area and he has seen tremendous growth from it. A voice vote was taken and Article 20 passed.

**ARTICLE 21.** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees, or other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relative thereto.

The article was read, moved by John Lachapelle and seconded by Sally Small. There being no discussion a voice vote was taken and Article 21 passed.

**ARTICLE 22.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

The article was read, moved by Ted Hoyle seconded by Sally Small. There was a request from Jon Peabody to have salaries broken down in future reports. A voice vote was taken and Article 22 passed.

The Moderator recognized Rollie Barnaby for his term as Selectman and then reported the results of the election naming Robert Montagno the new Selectman.

There being no further business to transact, there was a motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marilyn L. Knowlton  
Town Clerk

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## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF ASSESSED VALUATION

Land	\$99,586,549.00
Buildings	180,963,738.00
Manufactured Housing	1,263,600.00
Electric Utilities	<u>3,605,100.00</u>
 Gross Valuation	 \$285,418,987.00
Elderly Exemptions	(120,000.00)
Wood-Heating Energy Systems Exemption	( 53,356.00)
Solar Energy Exemptions	<u>( 71,631.00)</u>
 Net Valuation	 \$285,174,000.00

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations	\$2,351,783.00
Revenues	<u>(1,003,065.00)</u>
 Net Town Appropriations	 1,348,718.00
Net School Appropriations	1,958,475.00
Net State Education Appropriations	686,621.00
Net County Appropriations	<u>467,307.00</u>
 Total of Town, School & County	 4,461,121.00
Add: Overlay	36,145.00
Add: War Service Credits	<u>22,500.00</u>
 Property Tax to be Raised	 4,519,766.00
Less Credits	<u>(22,500.00)</u>
 Taxes Committed to Treasurer	 \$4,497,266.00

### 2013 Tax Rate (Per \$1,000.00 Valuation)

Town	\$ 4.93
County	1.64
State	2.44
School	<u>6.87</u>
	\$15.88

**STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT**  
**Town of Franconia – December 31, 2013**

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding Long Term Notes & Bonds

Village Water Project - 30 Year Bond 2.25% Interest	\$2,147,843.61
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**Town's Payment**      **Water Users Payment**

Principal	21,419.29	40,188.52	(61,607.81)
Interest	16,680.71	31,299.48	
Balance of Loan			<u>\$2,086,235.80</u>

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY**

	Land	Buildings	Equipment
Town Hall, land & buildings	\$ 96,500.00	\$339,700.00	\$
General Government, buildings & equipment		15,900.00	26,520.00
Library, land & buildings	97,100.00	355,500.00	
Fire/Police, land & buildings	97,100.00	320,700.00	
Fire Department, equipment			394,639.00
Police Department, equipment			15,795.00
Highway Department/Transfer Station			
Land & buildings	76,300.00,	126,800.00	
Highway Department, equipment			195,776.00
Transfer Station, equipment			28,513.00
Franconia/Mittersill Water Department			
Land & buildings	311,000.00	3,797,850.00	
Franconia/Mittersill Water Department			
Wells, mains, etc.			1,384,761.00
Cemeteries	246,100.00		
Land in Franconia	294,500.00		
Robert Frost House (Museum)	126,300.00	155,700.00	
Heritage Museum	107,400.00	119,300.00	
Interpretive Center (Museum)	92,200.00	6,700.00	
Dow Field	167,800.00		
Fox Hill Park	258,700.00		
	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,971,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,238,150.00</b>	<b>\$2,046,004.00</b>

Note (1) Based on Assessed Valuation

Note (2) Depreciated

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2013**  
**Cash Basis**

Motor Vehicle Registration	\$206,897.25
Motor Vehicle Title/Transfer Fees	1,055.00
Municipal Agent Fees	4,932.00
Town Clerk Fees	1,619.00
Dog Licenses	581.00
Vital Statistics	740.00
Marriage Licenses	585.00
UCC Filings and Requests	225.00
Postage Reimbursed Wetlands Application	18.77
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$216,653.02</b>

**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS**  
**Levy of 2013**  
**For Year Ending December 31, 2013**

**DEBITS**

Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes	\$4,497,262.00	
Yield Taxes	8,091.30	
Utility – Water	<u>265,910.87</u>	<u>\$4,771,264.17</u>
Overpayment of Property Taxes	14,716.89	
Interest Collected	<u>4,078.48</u>	<u>18,795.37</u>
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>		<b>\$4,790,059.54</b>

**CREDITS**

Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$4,271,797.95	
Yield Taxes	8,091.30	
Utility - Water	234,842.83	
Overpayments	14,716.89	
Utility Charge Abatement	3,310.12	
Interest Collected	<u>4,078.48</u>	<u>\$4,536,837.57</u>
Uncollected Taxes (per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes	225,464.05	
Utility-Water	<u>27,757.92</u>	<u>253,221.97</u>
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>		<b>\$4,790,059.54</b>

## SUMMARY OF WARRANTS LEVY OF 2012

### DEBITS

#### Uncollected Taxes - January 1, 2012

Property Taxes	\$253,008.77
Yield Tax	753.54
Utility – Water	41,422.49
Interest & Penalties Collected	<u>25,463.02</u>
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>\$320,647.82</b>

### CREDITS

#### Remittances to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$168,208.53
Utility – Water	19,296.24
Interest Collected	25,463.02

#### Abatements

Property Taxes	724.00
Utility - Water	14,142.04
Uncollected Property Taxes	<u>92,813.99</u>

#### **TOTAL CREDITS**

**\$320,647.82**

## SUMMARY OF TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013

### DEBITS

	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes January 1, 2012	\$ 105,782.86	\$88,965.10	\$ 163,556.08
Taxes to Lien, Current FY Interest & Costs Collected	<u>11.33</u>	<u>3,554.10</u>	<u>8,146.93</u>
<b>TOTAL DEBITS</b>	<b>105,794.19</b>	<b>92,519.20</b>	<b>171,703.01</b>

### CREDITS

Remittances To Treasurer Redemptions	1,478.83	27,492.16	15,313.61
Interest & Costs Collected	11.33	3,554.10	8,146.93
Abatements of Unredeemed liens			
Unredeemed Taxes	<u>104,304.03</u>	<u>61,472.94</u>	<u>148,242.47</u>
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>\$105,794.19</b>	<b>\$92,519.20</b>	<b>\$171,703.01</b>

## UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX LIEN

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2013

	<u><b>2012</b></u>	<u><b>2011</b></u>	<u><b>2010</b></u>
Richard Andross	\$ 700.96		
Robert W. Anthony	939.11	879.48	
Yvonne Bastianelli	5,325.93	6,200.25	10,432.14
Edward A. Breault	2,472.09	3,016.48	
CottonTail Farms Trust	1,006.82	1,234.43	1,269.57
Darrel Dietlein	5,049.63	5,442.20	3,551.59
Marguerite Donovan	443.22	550.73	444.96
Ellen Beth Fine	1,068.40	1,311.85	791.05
Forest Hills Assoc	4,701.91	3,283.67	
Raymond Fredericksen III	19,224.66		
John Gargano	2,438.38	3,061.03	3,100.52
Trevor Hamilton	3,843.10		
Estate of Harriet Harris	2,855.31		
Charles H. Herbert	1,161.36	1,456.95	1,312.16
Paul Johnson	3,142.08		
David Lavallee	2,075.45		
Robert H. Lodge, Jr.	1,541.36	1,888.66	1,963.93
Robert H. Lodge, Jr.	1,973.64	2,438.96	3,487.64
Eleanor R. Lovett	1,853.01	1,105.66	
Eleanor R. Lovett	176.06	220.42	633.16
Edward C. Mattox	216.68	271.83	
John E. McKay	869.72	1,065.93	1,088.89
Joel C. McKenzie	366.57	450.00	468.42
Joel C. McKenzie	7,767.16	9,485.84	11,026.68
Christopher A. Miller	1,377.48	1,689.21	1,865.02
Robert J. O'Neill Sr.	334.00	410.75	480.97
Robert J. O'Neill Sr.	3,939.88	4,736.50	4,761.62
OTL Property LLC #8	4,528.78	6,122.46	1,434.16
Robert P. Peckett, III	2,882.24	3,546.26	1,376.12
Kiril Roianov	895.02		
Vicki M. Scott	515.28		
Joanne Sgourous	18.93		
Colleen Stadelmann	9,224.28	5,958.32	
Sam P. Stephenson	1,808.58	2,210.43	
Deborah A. Stravato	1,536.66	1,881.66	1,952.99
Estate of Grace Taylor	619.91	623.23	476.60
Top of the Notch Cooperative	1,256.96	1,323.44	
Von Pantz, Stokes Lott	343.30	430.12	1,019.82
Deeann L. Widder	782.99		
William Wiggin	1,003.31	1,224.55	1,052.77
Gary Young, Jr.	3,874.94	3,790.67	2,673.99
Gary Young, Jr.	<u>201.61</u>	<u>247.19</u>	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$106,356.76</b>	<b>\$77,559.16</b>	<b>\$56,664.77</b>

## 2013 TREASURER'S REPORT

<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b>	<b>\$1,500,083.40</b>
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$ 446,188.45
Tax Collector	4,546,831.93
Town Clerk	214,801.62
Selectmen	981,077.84
Interest Earned	<u>131.54</u>
Total Regular Revenues	5,742,842.93
TAN	450,000.00
From NH-PDIP	<u>2,360,000.00</u>
Total Other Revenue	2,810,000.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>8,552,842.93</b>
Total Regular Disbursements	(5,815,085.92)
Transfer NH-PDIP	(2,400,000.00)
Loan Payment	(450,000.00)
Miscellaneous Debit/Fees	(1,307.65)
<b>TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS</b>	<b>(8,666,393.57)</b>
Ending Checking Balance	\$ 332,637.81
<b>NH-PDIP ACCOUNT</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$ 1,053,894.95
Deposits	2,420,000.00
Interest Earned	226.01
W/Ds to Checking	<u>(2,434,969.79)</u>
Ending Balance	\$1,039,151.17
<b>Ending Cash Balance</b>	<b>\$1,371,788.98</b>

## LAND USE FUND

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$271,379.42
Deposit from General Fund	7,821.50
Interest Earned	96.01
Land Use Transfer	<u>(5,000.00)</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$274,296.93</b>

## McLACHLIN MEMORIAL TRUST FUND

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$3,311.11
Interest Earned	.76
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$3,311.87</b>

## TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING CENTER SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$ 91,500.71
Interest	43.20
Deposit-Transfer from NHPDIP General Fund (2011)	35,186.12
Deposit-Transfer from NHPDIP General Fund (2012)	<u>26,962.17</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$153,692.20</b>

## FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT

<b>Beginning Cash Balance</b>	<b>\$203,988.71</b>
<b>CHECKING ACCOUNT</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$ (4,053.28)
Deposits	274,448.69
PDIP Transfers IN	350,000.00
PDIP Transfers OUT	(105,000.00)
Interest	16.40
	519,465.09
Expenses	(526,297.04)
Fees	5.00
Ending Balance	\$ (10,890.23)
<b>NH-PDIP ACCOUNT</b>	
Beginning Balance	208,041.99
Deposits	219,106.09
Interest Earned	78.54
Withdrawals to Checking	(350,000.00)
Ending Balance	\$ 77,226.62
<b>Year End Cash Balance</b>	<b>\$66,336.39</b>

## FRANCONIA-MITTERSILL WATER DEPARTMENT

<b>NH-PDIP ACCOUNT</b>	
Beginning Balance	\$114,074.87
Deposits from Checking	0.00
Interest Earned	31.22
Withdrawals	(114,106.09)
Ending Balance	\$ -0-

## FRANCONIA VILLAGE WATER PROJECT

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$870.16</b>
Interest Earned	.64
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$870.80</b>

## **SUMMARY OF REVENUES**

Accrual Basis

### TAXES

3110 - 3186 Revenue from Taxes	\$4,552,620.29
3190 Interest & Penalties	24,635.79

### LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES

3210 - 3290 Motor Vehicles, Bldg. Permits & Other	218,772.11
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### FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

3351-3353 State of New Hampshire	95,359.05
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### FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

3379 Town of Easton	34,272.93
3379 Town of Sugar Hill	81,648.61

### CHARGES FOR SERVICES

3401 Income from Departments:	
4130 Executive	50.00
4140 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	150.00
4150 Financial Administration	25.00
4191 Planning & Zoning	2,565.00
4195 Cemeteries	1,150.00
4210 Police	1,916.95
4220 Fire	300.00
4221 Life Squad	57,847.95
4290 Emergency Management (Forest Fire)	216.78
4312 Highway Department	32.00
4520.1 Parks	200.00
3409 Other Charges (Recreation Fees)	31,009.76

### MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE

3501 Sale of Town Property	33,000.00
3502 Interest on Investments	362.03

### INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

3915 Capital Reserve Funds	112,200.00
3917 Expendable Trust Funds	196,141.00

### **TOTAL REVENUES**

**\$5,444,475.25**

### TRANSFER ACCOUNTS (In)

4332 Water Department	19,866.06
Building Inspection	3,050.00
Cooley-Jericho Community Forest	5,000.00
Dow Concerts	4,040.00
Dow Academy Roof	1,000.00
Emergency Management Grant	222.50
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks	3,000.00
Halloween Cup Expense	215.00

Hazardous Mitigation/Emergency Operations Plan	5,100.00
Police Coverage	3,492.50
Recreation Field Trip Fees	350.00
Recreation Van	14,524.00
Tax Anticipation Note	450,000.00
Town Building Roof Refund	2,700.00
Water Project Semi-Annual Loan	<u>71,488.00</u>
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>\$ 584,048.06</b>

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF REVENUES

### TAXES

3110 Property Taxes	\$4,482,798.84
3120 Land Use Change Tax	6840.00
3185 Yield Tax	475.45
3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes	<u>62,506.00</u>
	<b>\$4,552,620.29</b>
3190 Interest & Penalties	<b>24,635.79</b>

### LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES

3220 Motor Vehicle Permits	205,637.25
3230 Building Permits	6,078.49
3290 Other Licenses & Fees	<u>7,056.37</u>
	<b>218,772.11</b>

### FROM STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

3352 Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	49,715.68
3353 Highway Block Grant	<u>45,643.37</u>
	<b>95,359.05</b>

### FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

3379 Town of Easton	
Administrative Fees	2,000.00
Recreation Programs	7,105.93
Transfer Station	<u>25,167.00</u>
	<b>34,272.93</b>
3379 Town of Sugar Hill	
Administrative Fees	2,300.00
Dispatch Phone Lines	532.03
Recreation Programs	23,449.58
Transfer Station	<u>55,367.00</u>
	<b>81,648.61</b>

### CHARGES FOR SERVICES

3401 Income from Departments	
4130 Executive	
Copies and Printouts	16.00
Current Use/LUCT Fees	<u>34.00</u>
	<b>50.00</b>

4140	Election, Registration & Vital Statistics Voter Checklist	<b>150.00</b>
4150	Financial Administration Bank Charges Reimbursed	<b>25.00</b>
4191	Planning & Zoning Zoning Ordinances Hearing Fees	20.00 <u>2,545.00</u> <b>2,565.00</b>
4195	Cemeteries Burials	<b>1,150.00</b>
4210	Police Donations Pistol Permits Police Coverage Police Report Town Fines Witness Fees	65.00 160.00 1,192.50 225.00 170.00 <u>104.45</u> <b>1,916.95</b>
4220	Fire Court Fines	<b>300.00</b>
4221	Life Squad Town of Sugar Hill Transport Payments	2,000.00 <u>55,847.95</u> <b>57,847.95</b>
4290	Emergency Management (Forest Fire) Training Expenses Reimbursed Wages Reimbursed	161.98 54.80 <u>54.80</u> <b>216.78</b>
4312	Highway Department Sale of Scrap Metal	<b>32.00</b>
4520.1	Parks Donation	<b>200.00</b>
3409	Other Charges (Recreation Fees) Spring Sports/Baseball Fees Soccer Fees Summer Recreation Fees	1,260.00 1,433.00 <u>28,316.76</u> <b>31,009.76</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>		
3501	Sale of Town Property Skid Steer Old Containers 1995 10' Wheeler	5,000.00 3,000.00 <u>25,000.00</u> <b>33,000.00</b>

3502	Interest on Investments		
	Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank	131.54	
	NH-PDIP	<u>230.49</u>	
			<b>362.03</b>

#### INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN

3915	Capital Reserve Funds		
	Transfer Station Equipment	6,055.00	
	Transfer Station Improvement	4,145.00	
	Highway Truck Fund	<u>102,000.00</u>	<b>112,200.00</b>
3917	Expendable Trust Funds		
	Highway Improvement Fund	106,000.00	
	Safety Services Bldg Improvements Fund	4,446.00	
	Town Buildings Maintenance	<u>85,695.00</u>	<b>196,141.00</b>

#### TOTAL REVENUES

**\$5,444,475.25**

#### TRANSFER ACCOUNTS (In)

4332	Water Department		
	Cell Phones	1,244.40	
	Computer Support	1,727.81	
	Gas, diesel, etc.	172.52	
	Insurance-Buildings	806.00	
	Mittersill Fire Station Electricity	1,722.49	
	Mittersill Fire Station Maintenance	363.65	
	Newspaper Ads	38.00	
	Payroll Taxes	81.50	
	Propane	1,714.61	
	Supplies	116.52	
	Wages	1,156.67	
	Water Payments Paid with Taxes	<u>10,721.89</u>	<b>19,866.06</b>
	Building Inspection		3,050.00
	Cooley-Jericho Community Forest		5,000.00
	Dow Concerts		4,040.00
	Dow Academy Roof		1,000.00
	Emergency Management Grant		222.50
	Halloween Cup Expense		215.00
	4 <sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks		3,000.00
	Hazardous Mitigation/Emergency Operations Plan		5,100.00
	Police Coverage		3,492.50
	Recreation Field Trip Fees		350.00
	Recreation Van		14,524.00
	Tax Anticipation Note		450,000.00
	Town Building Roof Refund		2,700.00
	Water Project Annual Loan Payment		<u>71,488.00</u>

#### TOTAL TRANSFERS

**\$ 584,048.06**

## **SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES**

### **Accrual Basis**

<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>		
4130 Executive	\$	102,936.34
4140 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics		37,455.39
4150 Financial Administration		59,360.00
4152 Revaluation of Property		19,561.92
4153 Legal Expense		24,981.22
4191 Planning & Zoning Boards		4,421.17
4194 General Government Buildings		94,188.47
4195 Cemeteries		13,145.03
4196 Insurance		8,112.00
4197 Advertising and Regional Associations		12,681.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		
4210 Police		318,013.61
4220 Fire		89,123.27
4221 Life Squad		56,789.65
4290 Emergency Management (Forest Fire)		2,577.60
4291 Emergency Management		2,660.24
4299 Emergency Dispatch Phone Service		27,521.07
<b>HIGHWAYS AND STREETS</b>		
4312 Highway Department		387,504.89
4316 Utilities		21,425.98
<b>HEALTH</b>		
4415 Health Officer & Agencies		14,282.00
<b>WELFARE</b>		
4442 Direct Assistance		15,876.98
<b>CULTURE AND RECREATION</b>		
4520 Recreation		102,069.12
4521 Parks		19,808.77
4583 Patriotic Purpose		1,000.00
4589 Museums		334.00
<b>CONSERVATION</b>		
4619 General Expenses		210.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>		
4711 Principal – Long Term Bonds		21,419.29
4721 Interest – Long Term Bonds		16,680.71
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes		442.87
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>		
4902 Vehicles & Equipment		146,295.55

4903 Buildings	100,062.82
4909 Other Improvements	106,000.00
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT</b>	
4912 Special Revenue Funds	157,771.00
4915 Capital Reserve Funds	148,100.00
4916 Expendable Trust Funds	<u>136,000.00</u>
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,268,811.96</b>
ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS	6,141.06
WATER LIENS	9,305.21
<b>PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>	
4931 Grafton County	467,307.00
4933 School Districts	2,676,859.00
4939 State of New Hampshire	<u>1,158.50</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$5,429,582.73</b>

#### TRANSFER ACCOUNTS (Out)

4332 Water Department	19,866.06
Building Inspection	3,050.00
Cooley-Jericho Community Forest	5,000.00
Dow Concerts	4,040.00
Dow Academy Roof	1,000.00
Emergency Management Grant	222.50
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks	3,000.00
Halloween Cup Expense	215.00
Hazardous Mitigation/Emergency Operation Plan	5,100.00
Police Coverage	3,492.50
Recreation Field Trip Fees	350.00
Recreation Van	14,524.00
Tax Anticipation Note	450,000.00
Town Building Roof Refund	2,700.00
Water Project Annual Loan Payment	<u>71,488.00</u>
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>	<b>\$ 584,048.06</b>

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

#### 4130 Executive

General Expenses	
Current Use/Land Use Change Recordings	16.46
Dues	1,307.15
Equipment	
Maintenance/Repairs	485.74
New	449.99
Website/Internet Expense	1,345.95
Maps	4,600.00
Miscellaneous	502.50
Newspaper Notices	102.50
Postage	918.96
RSA Updates & Legal Material	360.10
Software Support	2,673.80
Supplies	1,495.20
Telephone	1,341.92
Training/Meetings	236.50
Salaries & Wages	
Administrative Assistant	22,807.20
Executive Secretary	13,897.37
Secretary	15,933.14
Taxes & Benefits	
Health Insurance	29,358.16
Payroll Taxes	3,500.97
Retirement - Town Contribution	1,326.00
Unemployment Compensation	69.00
Workers Compensation	<u>207.73</u>
	<b>\$ 102,936.34</b>

#### 4140 Election, Registration & Vital Statistics

##### Election/Registration

##### General Expenses

Supplies	168.50
Town Clerk	
General Expenses	
Dog Tags	76.95
Dues	20.00
New Office Equipment	22.50
Newspaper Notices	337.00
Postage	4,161.40
Software Programs/Support	2,155.68
Supplies	199.51
Telephone	654.55
Workshops/Meetings	204.00
Salaries & Wages	
Ballot Clerks	58.20

Supervisor of the Checklist	3,000.00	
Town Clerk	27,747.99	
Taxes & Benefits		
Payroll Taxes	<u>2,349.11</u>	<b>37,455.39</b>
4150 Financial Administration		
Accounting & Reports		
Bank Charges	75.00	
Checks & Supplies	282.26	
Direct Deposit Charges	1,210.15	
Town Report	2,095.00	
Auditor	17,850.00	
Tax Collection		
Dues	20.00	
New Office Equipment	22.49	
Postage/Envelopes	1,317.56	
Software Programs/Support	2,090.70	
Recording Fees	137.49	
Supplies	112.44	
Tax Bills	284.18	
Workshops/Training	50.00	
Salary & Wages		
Bookkeeper	22,807.20	
Tax Collector	6,915.98	
Treasurer	1,858.00	
Taxes & Benefits		
Payroll Taxes	<u>2,231.55</u>	<b>59,360.00</b>
4152 Revaluation of Property		
General Expenses		<b>19,561.92</b>
4153 Legal Expense		
General Matters	7,898.85	
Litigation	17,082.37	<b>24,981.22</b>
4191 Planning & Zoning Boards		
General Expenses		
Legal Fees	136.00	
Newspaper Notices	664.63	
Postage	354.05	
RSA Updates & Law Books	112.00	
Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment Recordings	204.00	
Supplies	35.37	
Salary & Wages		
Secretary	2,655.25	
Taxes & Benefits		
Payroll Taxes	<u>259.87</u>	<b>4,421.17</b>

## 4194 General Government Buildings

General Expenses		
Building Maintenance	6,580.88	
Dow Clock	457.23	
Equipment		
Gas & Diesel	1,051.52	
Maintenance	2,337.79	
New	<u>238.64</u>	3,627.95
Heating Oil		6,747.85
Insurance		
Buildings & Equipment	794.00	
Commercial Auto	<u>296.00</u>	1,090.00
Library Insurance		1,621.00
Maintenance Garage		
Electricity	678.61	
Heating/Water	1,939.64	
Phone/Internet	<u>340.18</u>	2,958.43
Sidewalk Plowing		476.48
Supplies		1,348.85
Uniforms		290.86
Vehicles		
Gas	3,262.69	
Maintenance	1,303.68	
Repairs	<u>654.27</u>	5,220.64
Salaries & Wages		
Supervisor	37,937.90	
Assistant	981.61	
Overtime	<u>5,995.70</u>	44,915.21
Taxes & Benefits		
Health Insurance	14,648.37	
Payroll Taxes	3,014.97	
Retirement - Town Contribution	884.00	
Unemployment Compensation	76.00	
Workers Compensation	<u>229.75</u>	<b>94,188.47</b>

## 4195 Cemeteries

General Expenses		
Electricity/Water	814.47	
Equipment	1,394.73	
Supplies/Flags	618.41	
Waterline	13.64	
Salary & Wages		
Supervisor/Sexton	2,302.29	
Assistant	<u>7,212.43</u>	9,514.72
Taxes & Benefits		
Payroll Taxes	716.36	
Unemployment Compensation	18.00	
Workers Compensation	<u>54.70</u>	<b>13,145.03</b>

4196 Insurance Liability		<b>8,112.00</b>
4197 Advertising and Regional Assoc.		
Franconia Notch Chamber of Commerce	10,000.00	
Mt Washington Regional Airport	696.00	
North Country Council	<u>1,985.00</u>	<b>12,681.00</b>
 PUBLIC SAFETY		
4210 Police		
General Expenses		
Building Maintenance	3,115.31	
Dues & Subscriptions	270.00	
Firearms		
Ammunition	1,323.47	
New	1,593.00	
Training	<u>115.00</u>	3,031.47
Insurance		
Building & Equipment	216.00	
Commercial Auto	513.00	
Liability	<u>6,410.00</u>	7,139.00
Miscellaneous		735.10
Office		
Repairs/Maintenance	201.00	
Software/Support	2,676.20	
Supplies/Postage	<u>1,337.30</u>	4,214.50
Photography		30.50
Radar Calibration		160.00
Radios		509.50
RSA Updates & Law Books		48.00
Telephone		2,551.96
Training/Conferences		438.00
Uniforms		
Cleaning/Repairs	430.50	
New	<u>1,938.12</u>	2,368.62
Vehicles		
Gas/Mileage Reimbursed	11,677.55	
Maintenance	2,746.66	
Repairs	1,246.67	
Supplies	<u>244.20</u>	15,915.08
Salaries & Wages		
Chief	72,696.00	
Sergeant	51,599.60	
Patrolman	<u>41,088.80</u>	165,384.40
Overtime		8,918.30
Specials (Part-time Officers)		9,248.04

Taxes & Benefits		
Health Insurance	47,299.35	
Payroll Taxes	3,156.24	
Retirement – Town Contribution	40,279.24	
Unemployment Compensation	794.00	
Workers Compensation	<u>2,407.00</u>	<b>318,013.61</b>

4220 Fire Department		
General Expenses		
Administration and Supplies	1,072.05	
Building Maintenance		
Cleaning	1,650.00	
Electricity	3,499.26	
Maintenance	<u>934.65</u>	6,083.91
Dues and Subscriptions	1,469.89	
Fire Prevention	302.30	
Gas and Diesel	1,815.45	
Heating Oil	8,140.33	
Insurance		
Building & Equipment	433.00	
Commercial Auto	<u>3,824.00</u>	4,257.00
New Equipment		
Turnout Gear	1,088.58	
Radios & Pagers	1,734.55	
Rescue Equipment	<u>1,885.44</u>	4,708.57
Telephone	705.74	
Training and Prevention	345.61	
Vehicles and Equipment	9,132.55	
Salaries & Wages		
Fireman's Annual Pay	39,791.00	
Fireman's Fund	2,100.00	
Inspections	3,960.00	
Taxes & Benefits		
Payroll Taxes	3,711.12	
Unemployment Compensation	379.00	
Workers Compensation	<u>1,148.75</u>	<b>89,123.27</b>

4221 Life Squad		
General Expenses		
Billing & Collections Fee	5,708.58	
Building Maintenance	1,802.70	
Equipment	168.30	
Miscellaneous	150.00	
Radios & Pagers	935.58	
Rescue Booker	200.00	
Supplies	8,792.02	
Telephone	335.60	
Training	2,157.43	

Vehicles			
Commercial Auto Insurance	952.00		
Gas & Diesel	2,720.78		
Maintenance	<u>2,851.68</u>	6,524.46	
Wages & Benefits			
Wages	27,224.00		
Payroll Taxes	2,208.98		
Unemployment Compensation	144.00		
Workers Compensation	<u>438.00</u>	30,014.98	<b>56,789.65</b>

#### 4290 Emergency Management (Forest Fires)

General Expenses			
Mileage Reimbursed	53.32		
New Equipment	150.55		
Supplies	337.46		
Vehicles			
Gas, Diesel & Oil	211.87		
Insurance	<u>370.00</u>	581.87	
Salary & Wages			
Fire Fighting Pay	1,133.78		
Fire Fighting Training	<u>217.35</u>	1,351.13	
Taxes & Benefits			
Payroll Taxes	<u>103.27</u>		<b>2,577.60</b>

#### 4291 Emergency Management

Wages			
Director	2,000.00		
Deputy	<u>500.00</u>	2,500.00	
Payroll Taxes		160.24	<b>2,660.24</b>

#### 4299 Dispatch Phone Lines

8123 Phone Line	1,064.07	
Grafton County Dispatch	<u>26,457.00</u>	
		<b>27,521.07</b>

#### HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

##### 4312 Highway Department

General Expenses			
Building Maintenance	3,950.50		
Calcium Chloride	5,310.00		
Culverts	2,363.20		
Dues	25.00		
Equipment			
Maintenance	2,982.30		
New	4,570.00		
Rental	827.00		
Repairs	<u>3,742.02</u>	12,121.32	
Gas and Diesel	23,223.63		
Gravel	18,800.00		

Insurance			
Building & Equipment	373.00		
Commercial Auto	<u>4,048.00</u>	4,421.00	
Newspaper Notices		73.00	
New Tools		1,156.76	
Propane		7,544.26	
Radios/Radio Repair		1,360.92	
Random Drug Tests		210.00	
Safety		1,322.60	
Salt		34,009.54	
Sand		5,055.00	
Street Sweeping		1,281.59	
Supplies		4,598.63	
Telephone		1,668.16	
Uniforms		1,103.05	
Vehicles			
Maintenance	2,816.14		
Repairs	<u>7,614.81</u>	10,430.95	
Salaries & Wages			
Road Agent	53,931.51		
Road Crew	41,434.40		
Road Crew	34,128.00		
Road Crew	<u>2,238.01</u>	131,731.92	
Overtime		14,363.08	
Taxes & Benefits			
Health Insurance	39,890.77		
Payroll Taxes	9,907.48		
Retirement	2,550.00		
Unemployment Compensation	1,228.00		
Workers Compensation	3,719.95		
Highway Improvement	<u>44,084.58</u>	<b>387,504.89</b>	
4316 Utilities			
Cable Consortium	56.00		
Street Lighting	<u>21,369.98</u>	<b>21,425.98</b>	

## HEALTH

4415 Health Agencies			
Adaptive Sports Partners of the North Country	500.00		
American Red Cross	470.00		
Ammonoosuc Community Health Services	4,000.00		
Boys & Girls Club of the North Country	1,000.00		
CASA	500.00		
Center for New Beginnings	1,000.00		
Grafton County Senior Citizens	750.00		
Littleton Regional Hospital	1,500.00		
North Country Home Health	2,750.00		

Support Center at Burch House	520.00	
White Mountain Mental Health	<u>1,292.00</u>	<b>14,282.00</b>

## WELFARE

4442 Welfare		
General Assistance	13,276.98	
Tri-County Community Action	<u>2,600.00</u>	<b>15,876.98</b>

## CULTURE AND RECREATION

4520 Recreation		
Recreation Director	22,790.00	
Youth Director	18,462.99	
Miscellaneous Expense		
Communications	776.90	
Vehicle Expense	<u>2,499.77</u>	3,276.67
Spring Programs		
League Fees	630.73	
Supplies & Equipment	365.82	
Umpire Fees/Clinics	425.00	
Uniforms	1,146.81	
Winter Program		
Referees	130.00	
Supplies	47.06	
Rink and Ice Skating		
Rink Maintenance	99.16	
Supplies/Newspaper Notices	346.08	
Utilities	1251.48	
Soccer		
Referees	300.00	
Supplies	383.40	
Tournament Expense	345.00	
Uniforms	448.43	
Summer Recreation		
Adventure Program	1,459.33	
Newspaper Notices	299.00	
Pool & Facilities	424.00	
Supplies	765.73	
Transportation	3,251.47	
Uniforms	1,188.85	
Salaries & Wages	21,360.42	
Taxes & Benefits		
Health Insurance	13,429.23	
Payroll Taxes	4,609.29	
Retirement-Town	884.00	
Unemployment Compensation	289.00	
Workers Compensation	875.20	
Dow Field Playground Fund	784.97	
Rink Maintenance Fund	<u>2,000.00</u>	<b>102,069.12</b>

4521 Parks			
Dow Field			
Electricity/Water	426.08		
Field Maintenance	1,140.90		
Portable Toilets	<u>1,481.00</u>	3,047.98	
Equipment	304.06		
Parks Maintenance	1,566.92		
Supplies	435.32		
Wages	13,566.01		
Payroll Taxes	<u>888.48</u>	<b>19,808.77</b>	
4583 Patriotic Purpose			<b>1,000.00</b>
4589 Museums- Building Insurance			<b>334.00</b>
4619 Conservation			
General Expenses			
Dues			<b>210.00</b>
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>			
4711 Principal – Long Term Bond	21,419.29		
4721 Interest – Long Term Bond	16,680.71		
4723 Interest on Tax Anticipation Note	<u>442.87</u>	<b>38,542.87</b>	
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>			
4902 Vehicles & Equipment			
Article 5-Highway Truck (6 Wheeler)			<b>146,295.55</b>
4903 Buildings			
Article 9-Library Steps	9,922.02		
Article 10-Library Sidewalk	9,277.39		
Article 11-Museum Barn Roof	5,200.00		
Article 14-Dow Roof	12,463.50		
DOL Safety Expense	2,275.89		
Energy Upgrades	15,512.64		
Highway Building (Water)	9,371.76		
Safety Services Building	4,446.02		
Town Building Flat Roofs	27,334.27		
Town Building Steps	<u>4,259.33</u>	<b>100,062.82</b>	
4909 Other Improvements			
Highway Improvements			
Coal Hill Road	60,707.70		
Timber Lane	<u>45,292.30</u>	<b>106,000.00</b>	

**INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT**

## 4912 Special Revenue Funds

Library Appropriation	81,000.00	
Transfer Station Appropriation	<u>76,771.00</u>	<b>157,771.00</b>

**SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

## 4915 Capital Reserve Fund

Fire Department Safety Equipment	10,000.00	
Fire Truck – Equipment	6,300.00	
Fire Truck – Pumper	14,400.00	
Fire Truck – Tanker	15,200.00	
Frost Place Maintenance	3,900.00	
Highway Heavy Equipment	9,000.00	
Highway Trucks	48,500.00	
Life Squad Ambulance	11,000.00	
Life Squad Equipment	3,200.00	
Police Cruisers	6,400.00	
Reassessment	8,500.00	
Town Buildings & Grounds Equipment	6,100.00	
Town Buildings Truck	<u>5,600.00</u>	<b>148,100.00</b>

## 4916 Expendable Trust Funds

Highway Improvement	120,000.00	
Town Buildings Maintenance	15,000.00	
Sidewalk Improvement	<u>1,000.00</u>	<b>136,000.00</b>

**SUB-TOTAL****\$2,268,811.96****ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS****WATER DEPARTMENT LIENS****6,141.06****9,305.21****PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS**

## 4931 Grafton County Tax

**467,307.00**

## 4933 School Districts

Lafayette Regional School District	1,331,749.00	
Profile School District	<u>1,345,110.00</u>	<b>2,676,859.00</b>

## 4939 State of New Hampshire

Animal Population Control	170.00	
Dog Licenses	42.50	
Marriage Licenses	494.00	
Vital Records	<u>452.00</u>	<b>1,158.50</b>

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES****\$5,429,582.73**

**TRANSFER ACCOUNTS (Out)**

4332 Water Department		
Cell Phones	1,244.40	
Computer Support	1,727.81	
Gas	172.52	
Insurance – Buildings	806.00	
Mittersill Fire Station Electricity	1,722.49	
Mittersill Fire Station Maintenance	363.65	
Newspaper Ads	38.00	
Payroll Taxes	81.50	
Propane	1,714.61	
Supplies	116.52	
Wages	1,156.67	
Water Payments Paid With Taxes	<u>10,721.89</u>	<b>19,866.06</b>
Building Inspection		3,050.00
Cooley-Jericho Community Forest		5,000.00
Dow Concerts		4,040.00
Dow Academy Roof		1,000.00
Emergency Management Grant		222.50
4 <sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks		3,000.00
Halloween Cup Expense		215.00
Hazardous Mitigation/Emergency Operation Plan		5,100.00
Police Coverage		420.00
Recreation Field Trip Fees		350.00
Recreation Van		14,524.00
Tax Anticipation Note		450,000.00
Town Building Roof Refund		2,700.00
Water Project Annual Loan Payment from Water Department		<u>71,488.00</u>
<b>TOTAL TRANSFERS</b>		<b>\$ 584,048.06</b>

**TRANSFER STATION/RECYCLING CENTER  
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

<b>Beginning Balance</b>		<b>\$153,649.00</b>
Income		
Town of Franconia	76,771.00	
Town of Sugar Hill	55,367.00	
Town of Easton	25,167.00	
Franconia Capital Reserve Funds	10,475.00	
PAYT Bags	77,488.00	
Sale of Old Containers	3,000.00	
Special Handling Fees	24,662.00	
Recycled Material	29,833.65	
Interest Earned	<u>43.20</u>	302,806.85
Expenses		
Solid Waste Disposal		
MSW Hauling	6,658.20	
MSW Tipping	29,935.20	
Bulky Disposal		
Roll Off Hauling	7,996.02	
Roll Off Tipping	16,280.49	
Tires	198.00	
Electronics	2,333.81	
Other	5,741.32	
Utilities	6,197.60	
General Expenses		
Dues	1,794.66	
Insurance	724.00	
Mileage	107.52	
Safety Equipment	1,176.52	
Supplies & Baling Wire	2,538.15	
Oil & Gas	1,155.71	
Training & Certification	600.00	
Uniforms	232.80	
Equipment Maintenance	4,209.15	
New Containers	13,400.00	
New Skid Steer (-Trade in)	24,742.00	
Entrance Paving	7,968.00	
Wages	115,466.08	
Benefits		
Health Insurance	27,300.70	
Retirement	2,652.00	
Unemployment Compensation	614.00	
Workers' Compensation	1,859.95	
Payroll Taxes	<u>8,065.18</u>	<u>289,947.06</u>
<b>Ending Balance</b>		<b>\$166,508.79</b>

## TOWN MEETING WARRANT

Lafayette Regional School  
March 11, 2014 – 7:00 PM  
Polls open from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

**ARTICLE 1.** To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year and to bring in your votes for Executive Councilor.(By ballot.)

**ARTICLE 2.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,900,000.00 (gross budget) for the construction of a new Safety Services building, and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,700,000.00 of notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33.1) and to authorize the selectmen to issue and negotiate such notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; the balance of the funds \$200,000.00 will come from the Safety Services Facilities Improvement Expendable Trust created for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (2/3-ballot vote required).

**ARTICLE 3.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate one million five hundred seventy-seven thousand four hundred and forty-three dollars (\$1,577,443.00) to defray town charges for the ensuing year.

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive .....	\$110,341.00
Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics .....	42,475.00
Financial Administration .....	59,997.00
Revaluation of Property .....	19,562.00
Legal Expenses .....	10,000.00
Planning & Zoning .....	5,900.00
General Government Buildings .....	101,853.00
Cemeteries .....	17,510.00
Insurance.....	8,607.00
Advertising & Regional Associations.....	13,453.00
(Chamber of Commerce.....	10,000.00)
(North Country Council.....	2,082.00)
(Regional Airport.....	1,371.00)

### PUBLIC SAFETY

Police .....	353,770.00
Fire.....	109,420.00
Life Squad .....	55,058.00
Building Inspection.....	3,000.00
Forest Fire.....	3,754.00
Emergency Management .....	3,000.00
Dispatch Phone Lines .....	30,000.00
(Franconia's Share.....	29,500.00)

### HIGHWAYS & STREETS .....

UTILITIES .....	21,500.00
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### HEALTH & HOSPITALS .....

(Adaptive Sports Partners .....	750.00)
(American Red Cross.....	496.00)

(Ammonoosuc Community Health ....	4,000.00)
(Boys & Girls Club of the NC .....	1,000.00)
(CASA .....	500.00)
(Center for New Beginnings .....	1,000.00)
(Grafton Co. Senior Citizens .....	1,250.00)
(Health Officer.....	300.00)
(North Country Home Health .....	3,100.00)
(Support Center – Burch House.....	520.00)
(White Mt. Mental Health.....	1,292.00)
<b>WELFARE .....</b>	<b>9,700.00</b>
(General Assistance .....	7,000.00)
(CAP .....	2,700.00)
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION</b>	
Recreation Programs.....	114,659.00
(Franconia's Share	51,619.00)
Parks .....	25,367.00
Patriotic Purposes .....	1,000.00
Museums.....	350.00
CONSERVATION .....	1,000.00
DEBT SERVICE .....	39,100.00
<b>TOTAL.....(Franconia's Share \$1,513,903.00)</b>	<b>\$1,577,443.00</b>

**ARTICLE 4.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred sixty-seven thousand seven hundred dollars (\$167,700.00) to be added to the following Capital Reserve Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Town Buildings Truck, \$9,200; Town Buildings and Grounds Equipment, \$5,600; Highway Trucks, \$50,400; Highway Heavy Equipment, \$15,200; Police Cruisers, \$13,000; Life Squad Van, \$9,300; Life Squad Equipment, \$3,200; Fire Equipment Truck, \$6,300; Fire Pumper Truck, \$14,400; Fire Truck Tanker, \$20,600; Fire Safety Equipment, \$10,000; Bridge Maintenance, \$2,000; and Reassessment, \$8,500.

**ARTICLE 5.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty-eight thousand nine hundred dollars (\$158,900.00) to be added to the following Expendable Trust Funds previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

Highway Improvement, \$120,000; Town Buildings Maintenance, \$15,000; Frost Place Maintenance, \$3,900; and Sidewalk Improvement, \$20,000.

**ARTICLE 6.** To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen as agents to expend the Highway Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund to allow for repairs to the existing equipment. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 7.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500.00) to purchase a mower for Buildings and Grounds and to authorize the withdrawal ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500.00) from the Buildings & Grounds Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 8.** To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of five thousand eight hundred dollars (\$5,800.00) to purchase a mower for the Cemetery and to authorize the withdrawal of five thousand eight hundred dollars from the Building & Grounds Equipment Capital Reserve Fund, previously established for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 9.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of eighty-one thousand dollars (\$81,000.00) to purchase a plow truck for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of sixty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$63,500.00) from the Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund, seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500.00) to come from trading in the 2007 Chevy 5500. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation

**ARTICLE 10.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) to purchase a used truck for the Highway Department. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 11.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of twenty four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) to repair the sidewalks on Harvard and Dow streets. The sum of twenty four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) will come from the Sidewalk Improvement Expendable Trust, previously established for this purpose. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation

**ARTICLE 12.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) from the Recreation Committee's line item budget to the Rink Surface Maintenance Fund previously established. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 13.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred eighty two thousand six hundred fifty four dollars (\$282,654.00) for the purpose of solid waste disposal and capital improvements to include the purchase of a baler, with (\$12,500.00) to come from the Transfer Station Special Reserve Fund, (\$46,251.00) from the Town of Sugar Hill, (\$21,023.00) from the Town of Easton, (\$80,000.00) PAYT Fees, (\$24,000.00) Special Handling Fees, (\$26,000) in Recycled Material, and to raise (\$72,880.00) from taxation. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 14.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ninety two thousand two hundred ninety six dollars (\$92,296.00) for the purpose of operating the Abbie Greenleaf Library and to transfer this amount to the Library Trustees for their use as they see fit. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 15.** To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred and nine thousand dollars (\$209,000.00) to repair the sidewalks along Main Street to the school. The funding for this project to come from the Safe Routes to School Fund run by the State. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 16.** To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of cleaning and repairing to working order the Dow Academy Clock. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 17.** To see if the town will vote establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of Rural Water Supply (cisterns & fire ponds) and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for this purpose and furthermore name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 18.** To see if the town will vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$45,000.00 to go into the fund. This sum to come from the fund balance and no amount to be raised by taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse into the general fund. Majority vote required. The Selectmen recommend this article.

**ARTICLE 19.** Should the Town of Franconia raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,168.00 (nine thousand one hundred sixty-eight dollars) as a donation to the non-profit Franconia Children's Center, Inc. to offset the cost of real estate taxes for the tax year 2013-14 assessed on the Franconia Children's Center childcare and preschool facility at 70 Main Street in the Town of Franconia. (By petition) The Selectmen do not recommend this appropriation.

**ARTICLE 20.** To hear the reports of agents, auditors, and committees, or other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relative thereto.

**ARTICLE 21.** To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Ted Hoyle  
John Lachapelle  
Bob Montagno  
Board of Selectmen

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCONIA – REVENUE

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 2013	Actual 2013	Estimated 2014
<b>TAXES:</b>			
3120 Land Use Change Taxes	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 3,420.00	\$ 5,000.00
3185 Yield Taxes	1,000.00	1,251.00	1,000.00
3186 Payment in Lieu of Taxes	62,511.00	62,506.00	60,000.00
3190 Interest & Penalties	17,500.00	24,636.00	15,000.00
<b>LICENSES, PERMITS, &amp; FEES:</b>			
3210 Business Permits	250.00	-0-	250.00
3220 Motor Vehicles	196,000.00	205,637.00	196,000.00
3230 Building Permits	4,000.00	6,078.00	4,000.00
3290 Other Fees – Town Clerk	5,500.00	7,056.00	6,000.00
<b>FROM STATE:</b>			
3352 Meals & Rooms Tax	49,716.00	49,716.00	45,000.00
3353 Highway Block Grant	45,761.00	45,643.00	45,000.00
3359 Other (Safe Routes to School)	-0-	-0-	209,000.00
<b>FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS</b>			
3379 Town of Easton	36,055.00	34,273.00	32,079.00
3379 Town of Sugar Hill	87,497.00	81,649.00	78,935.00
<b>CHARGES FOR SERVICES:</b>			
3401 Income from Departments	34,500.00	64,454.00	37,500.00
3409 PAYT Fees, etc.	130,000.00	131,984.00	130,000.00
3409 Recreation Enrollment Fees	22,300.00	31,010.00	24,100.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:</b>			
3501 Sale of Municipal Property	30,000.00	33,000.00	17,500.00
3502 Interest on Investments	700.00	362.00	400.00
<b>INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:</b>			
3912 Special Revenue Funds	-0-	-0-	12,500.00
3915 Capital Reserve Funds	116,175.00	112,200.00	79,800.00
3916 Expendable Trust Funds	10,200.00	196,141.00	224,000.00
3916 Cemetery Trust Fund	-0-	-0-	2,000.00
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES</b>			
3934 Long Term Borrowing	-0-	-0-	1,700,000.00
Fund Balance (Surplus)	<u>150,000.00</u>	<u>150,000.00</u>	<u>45,000.00</u>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$1,003,065.00</b>	<b>\$1,241,016.00</b>	<b>\$2,970,064.00</b>

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCONIA – EXPENDITURES

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approp. 2013	Actual 2013	Estimated 2014
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT:</b>			
4130 Executive	\$ 106,249.00	\$ 102,936.00	\$110,341.00
4140 Election, Reg. & Vital Stats.	39,124.00	37,455.00	42,475.00
4150 Financial Administration	60,596.00	59,360.00	59,997.00
4152 Revaluation of Property	19,562.00	19,562.00	19,562.00
4153 Legal Expense	7,000.00	24,981.00	10,000.00
4191 Planning & Zoning	5,400.00	4,421.00	5,900.00
4194 General Gov't. Buildings	93,715.00	94,188.00	101,853.00
4195 Cemeteries	16,813.00	13,145.00	17,510.00
4196 Insurance	8,112.00	8,112.00	8,607.00
4197 Advertising & Regional Assoc.	12,681.00	12,681.00	13,453.00
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY:</b>			
4210 Police	331,774.00	318,014.00	353,770.00
4220 Fire	87,900.00	89,123.00	109,420.00
4221 Life Squad	54,964.00	56,790.00	55,058.00
4290 Forest Fire	3,578.00	2,578.00	3,754.00
4200 Building Inspection	-0-	-0-	3,000.00
4291 Emergency Management	3,000.00	2,660.00	3,000.00
4299 Dispatch Phone Line	30,000.00	27,521.00	30,000.00
<b>HIGHWAYS &amp; STREETS:</b>			
4312 Highway Department	401,020.00	387,505.00	402,859.00
4316 Utilities	21,500.00	21,425.00	21,500.00
<b>HEALTH:</b>			
4415 Health Officer & Agencies	12,332.00	11,232.00	14,208.00
<b>WELFARE:</b>			
4442 Direct Assistance & CAP	7,600.00	15,877.00	9,700.00
<b>CULTURE &amp; RECREATION:</b>			
4520 Recreation	111,179.00	102,069.00	114,659.00
4521 Parks	19,706.00	19,809.00	25,367.00
4583 Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
4589 Museums	334.00	334.00	350.00
<b>CONSERVATION</b>			
4619 General Expenses	1,000.00	210.00	1,000.00
<b>DEBT SERVICE:</b>			
4711-4723 Interest/Principal	40,600.00	38,543.00	39,100.00
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY:</b>			
4902 Vehicles & Equipment			
Article 5: Highway Truck	150,000.00	146,296.00	-0-
4903 Town Buildings			
EFT: Safety Services Bldg Maintenance	-0-	4,446.00	-0-
EFT: Town Buildings Maintenance	-0-	95,617.00	-0-
4909 Other Improvements			
EFT: Highway Improvement	-0-	106,000.00	-0-

**4912 SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS**

Transfer Station/Recycling Center	302,780.00	302,780.00	282,654.00
Library	81,000.00	81,000.00	92,296.00

**SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES:**

CRF: Town Buildings Truck	5,600.00	5,600.00	9,200.00
CRF: Buildings & Grounds Equipment	6,100.00	6,100.00	5,600.00
CRF: Highway Trucks	48,500.00	48,500.00	50,400.00
CRF: Highway Heavy Equipment	9,000.00	9,000.00	15,200.00
CRF: Police Cruiser	6,400.00	6,400.00	13,000.00
CRF: Life Squad Van	11,000.00	11,000.00	9,300.00
CRF: Fire Truck (Equipment)	6,300.00	6,300.00	6,300.00
CRF: Fire Truck (Pumper)	14,400.00	14,400.00	14,400.00
CRF: Fire Truck (Tanker)	15,200.00	15,200.00	20,600.00
CRF: Fire Safety Equipment	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
CRF: Bridge Maintenance	-0-	-0-	2,000.00
CRF: Reassessment	8,500.00	8,500.00	8,500.00
CRF: Life Squad	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
CRF: Rural Water Supply (Article 17)	-0-	-0-	5,000.00
ETF: Highway Improvement	120,000.00	120,000.00	120,000.00
ETF: Sidewalks	1,000.00	1,000.00	20,000.00
EFT: Rink Maintenance	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
EFT: Town Buildings Maintenance	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
EFT: Frost Place Maintenance	3,900.00	3,900.00	3,900.00

**FY2014**

Article 2: Safety Services Building	-0-	-0-	1,900,000.00
Article 7: Bldgs & Grounds Mower	-0-	-0-	10,500.00
Article 8: Cemetery Mower	-0-	-0-	5,800.00
Article 9: Highway Plow Truck	-0-	-0-	81,000.00
Article 11: Sidewalk Repair	-0-	-0-	24,000.00

**INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES:**

**FY2013**

Article 9: Library Steps Repairs	10,000.00	9,922.00	-0-
Article 10: Library Sidewalk Repairs	5,000.00	9,277.00	-0-
Article 11: Museum Cupola	5,200.00	5,200.00	-0-
Article 14: Dow Clock Tower Roof	12,464.00	12,464.00	-0-
Article 18: Adaptive Sports	500.00	500.00	-0-
Article 19: Boys & Girls Club	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-
Article 20: Center for New Beginnings	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-

**FY2014**

Article 10: Highway Truck	-0-	-0-	20,000.00
Article 15: Safe Routes To School	-0-	-0-	209,000.00
Article 16: Dow Clock	-0-	-0-	10,000.00
Article 18: Contingency Fund	-0-	-0-	45,000.00
Article 19: Children's Center	-0-	-0-	9,168.00

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

**\$2,351,783.00    \$2,533,133.00    \$4,600,461.00**

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND

	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements
Executive	\$106,249.00	\$ 50.00
Election, Registration, & Vital Statistics	39,124.00	150.00
Financial Administration	60,596.00	25.00
Revaluation of Property	19,952.00	-0-
Legal Expenses	7,000.00	-0-
Planning & Zoning	5,400.00	2,565.00
General Government Buildings	93,715.00	-0-
Cemeteries	16,813.00	1,150.00
Insurance	8,112.00	-0-
Advertising & Regional Associations	12,681.00	-0-
Police	331,774.00	1,917.00
Fire	87,900.00	300.00
Life Squad	54,964.00	25,348.00
Forest Fire	3,578.00	217.00
Emergency Management	3,000.00	-0-
Dispatch Phone Lines	30,000.00	32.00
Highway Department	401,020.00	32.00
Utilities	21,500.00	-0-
Health Officer & Agencies	14,582.00	-0-
Welfare	7,600.00	-0-
Recreation	111,179.00	8,710.00
Parks	19,706.00	200.00
Patriotic Purposes	1,000.00	-0-
Museums	334.00	-0-
Conservation	1,000.00	-0-
Interest	40,600.00	(338.00)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$1,498,989.00</b>	<b>\$40,358.00</b>

## **EXPENDITURES, Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013**

Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balances	Overdrafts
\$106,299.00	\$ 102,936.00	\$ 3,363.00	\$ -0-
39,274.00	37,455.00	1,819.00	-0-
60,621.00	59,360.00	1,261.00	-0-
19,562.00	19,562.00	-0-	-0-
7,000.00	24,981.00	-0-	17,981.00
7,965.00	4,421.00	3,274.00	-0-
93,715.00	94,188.00	-0-	473.00
17,963.00	13,145.00	4,818.00	-0-
8,112.00	8112.00	-0-	-0-
12,681.00	12,681.00	-0-	-0-
333,691.00	318,014.00	15,677.00	-0-
88,200.00	89,123.00	-0-	923.00
80,312.00	56,790.00	23,522.00	-0-
3,795.00	2,578.00	1,217.00	-0-
3,000.00	2,660.00	340.00	
30,032.00	27,521.00	2,781.00	-0-
401,052.00	387,505.00	13,547.00	-0-
21,500.00	21,426.00	74.00	-0-
14,582.00	14,282.00	300.00	-0-
7,600.00	15,877.00	-0-	8,277.00
119,889.00	102,069.00	17,820.00	-0-
19,906.00	19,809.00	97.00	-0-
1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-	-0-
334.00	334.00	-0-	-0-
1,000.00	210.00	790.00	-0-
40,262.00	38,543.00	1,719.00	-0-
<b>\$1,539,347.00</b>	<b>\$1,474,582.00</b>	<b>\$92,419.00</b>	<b>\$27,654.00</b>

## **NOTES**

## **2014 – 2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN**

The 2014 – 2016 Capital Improvements Plan was completed by a group of five citizens, appointed by the Planning Board. The Committee worked from July 2013 through January 2014 on this year's CIP. The plan was adopted by the Franconia Planning Board and accepted by the Select Board in January 2014.

Preparation of the plan involved the Committee interviewing and interacting with the Town Operational Department Heads, the Fire and Life Squad Chiefs, and the Town's Select Board and Administration to collect their anticipated capital needs, and the priority of the needs, for the time frame 2014-2018. These individual requests were then laid out in an annualized schedule and analyzed relative to the Town's need to maintain critical assets and the need to raise monies to fund the projects in the future.

All Department Heads attempted to find savings and efficiency in this year's requests and will be looking for savings in future years.

These activities resulted in the CIP committee revising the long range capital plan presented in 2013 due to an increase in the money required to repair and maintain town sidewalks and unexpected need to replace the Town Highway Department pick up truck. As a result, the \$383,200 2014 plan is 5.9% higher than the 2013 plan of \$361,700 and future years are adjusted accordingly.

A draft of the CIP was published and made available for the citizens' review. This draft plan reflected a recommendation for Capital appropriations in 2014. A Public Hearing was then held to elicit public comment on the draft. There was discussion and questions but no request for change was received. On January 13, the draft CIP was presented to the Planning Board and, after thorough review, was accepted.

The CIP Committee would like to highlight a few specific findings and concerns that it recommends receive further consideration by the CIP, Planning and Select Boards as well as the community at large:

- 1) The Road Agent, BOS, and CIP finalized the strategic road plan and developed a detailed plan with priorities for reconstructions for the next 5 years. Our Town has 13 miles of paved roads and to reconstruct all would cost \$1.1 million. With present cost this allows for the roads to be reconstructed every 9-10 years.
- 2) In 2013, the CIP Committee recommended that all operating department's revenue sources be analyzed and their review be integrated into the Town's budgeting process, specifically, the Transfer Station, Life Squad and Recreation Department's revenue streams. This was done during the 2014 budgeting process.

3) The CIP recommends a method be developed to determine when town vehicles should be replaced based on repair costs, mileage and useful life data obtained from other municipalities, manufacturers, professional associations and federal and state regulations.

Finally, the CIP Committee would like to thank all Town employees, administrators, board members and citizens for their generous contributions of time and consideration in establishing and delivering Franconia's 2014-2018 CIP. We are hopeful that the plan and process will be an important aid to the Select Board in their annual budgeting and result in improved capital planning and investment for the Town of Franconia.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernadette Costa  
Mogens Jessen,  
Bob Montagno  
Carl Schafer  
Brian Williams  
The CIP Committee

## VALUATION OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

### FIRE DEPARTMENT/LIFE SQUAD

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2012 Cardiac Monitor	30,000.00	24,000.00	10	3,000.00
2012 Difibtech Lifeline AED	732.00	442.00	5	145.00
2012 Pressure Washer	1,560.00	936.00	5	312.00
2009 Ford Equipment Truck	\$140,000.00	\$105,000.00	20	\$7,000.00
2008 Kenworth T300	146,548.00	102,586.00	20	7,327.00
Emergency Generator	15,000.00	7,500.00	20	750.00
2004 Rescue Tools	20,000.00	-0-	10	2,000.00
2003 Kenworth Pumper Truck	215,000.00	96,625.00	20	10,750.00
2008 Ambulance	135,000.00	54,000.00	10	13,500.00
1978 Ford Attack Pumper	40,000.00	-0-		-0-
1934 LaFrance Pumper (antique)		-0-		-0-
Scott Air Pack (10)	14,250.00	841.00	20	705.00
2009 Protective Gear	2,897.00	-0-	5	581.00
2010 Protective Gear	3,653.00	729.00	5	731.00
2011 Protective Gear	1,511.00	605.00	5	302.00
2009 Ice Rescue Gear	754.00	-0-	5	150.00
Protective Gear	15,000.00	-0-		-0-
Fire Hose & Fittings	29,000.00	-0-		-0-
Smoke Ejectors (2)	684.00	-0-		-0-
Nozzles & Deck Guns	10,000.00	-0-		-0-
1997 Mini Responder Kit (Life Squad)	393.00	-0-		-0-
2011 Computer	1,064.00	425.00	5	213.00
Communications Equipment:				
David Clark Headsets	3,636.00	-0-		-0-
2011 Pagers & Radios	2,375.00	950.00	5	475.00
Portable Radios & Beepers	<u>47,775.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>		<u>-0-</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$876,832.00</b>	<b>\$394,639.00</b>		<b>\$47,209.00</b>

### POLICE EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2011 Ford Crown Victoria	\$27,200.00	-0-	3	\$9,066.00
2010 Ford Expedition	38,600.00	7,720.00	5	7,720.00
2007 Spec. Mountain Bike	350.00	-0-		-0-
2002 Astro Portable Radios (4)	9,758.00	-0-		-0-
1999 Eagle Radar	3,095.00	-0-	5	-0-
2004 Eagle Radar	2,212.00	-0-	5	-0-
2002 Sony Camcorder	650.00	-0-	6	-0-
2008 Video Cameras (2)	7,990.00	3,995.00	10	799.00
2011 Video Cameras (2)	780.00	546.00	10	78.00

2011 Dell Vostro Computer (2)	2,084.00	836.00	5	416.00
2009 Laptop Computer	749.00	-0-	5	149.00
2008 Cannon Printer	649.00	-0-	5	-0-
2005 Typewriter	575.00	-0-	5	-0-
2013 Colt LEU Rifle (5)	1,475.00	1,327.00	10	148.00
2012 Glock 21-45 (5)	1,715.00	1,371.00	10	172.00
2002 Colt M-16A1 (2) (Mil. Surplus)	150.00	-0-	10	-0-
1998 Stinger Spikes (2)	<u>1,430.00</u>	<u>-0-</u>	10	<u>-0-</u>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$99,462.00</b>	<b>\$15,795.00</b>		<b>\$18,548.00</b>

#### HIGHWAY EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2014 International Truck (2013)	\$146,296.00	\$131,666.00	10	\$14,630.00
2009 Chevrolet Truck	79,412.00	22,687.00	7	11,345.00
2007 Chevrolet Truck	72,838.00	10,408.00	7	10,405.00
2000 Mack Truck	71,102.00	-0-	10	-0-
2013 Mower	4,290.00	3,575.00	6	715.00
2007 Woodchipper	23,000.00	6,900.00	10	2,300.00
2004 Spreader	5,000.00	-0-	10	500.00
2006 CAT Backhoe/Loader	83,000.00	16,600.00	10	8,300.00
2006 CAT Broom	7,500.00	2,250.00	10	750.00
1986 Caterpillar Grader	55,000.00	-0-	15	-0-
2013 Radios (4)	1,300.00	1,040.00	5	260.00
2011 Radio	375.00	150.00	5	75.00
Snow Plow	5,000.00	500.00	3	500.00
Steam Jenny & Generator	3,700.00	-0-	10	-0-
Compressor	1,163.00	-0-	10	-0-
2 Chain Saws	1,000.00	-0-	2	-0-
Welder	1,500.00	-0-	10	-0-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$561,476.00</b>	<b>\$195,776.00</b>		<b>\$49,780.00</b>

#### OFFICE EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price	Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2009 Dell Computer	\$1,272.00	-0-	5	\$256.00
2008 Dell Computer	1,149.00	-0-	5	29.00
2004 Dell Computer	1,376.00	-0-	5	-0-
2003 Dell Computer	2,051.00	-0-	5	-0-
2008 HP LaserJet Printer	350.00	-0-	5	-0-
1997 HP Laser Printer	860.00	-0-	5	-0-
1997 Fax Machine	399.00	-0-	5	-0-
1996 Motorola Portable Radio	690.00	-0-	8	-0-
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$8,147.00</b>	<b>\$-0-</b>		<b>\$285.00</b>

### TRANSFER STATION EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price		Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2013 Bobcat	\$ 15,466.00	(52%)	\$13,437.00	7	\$2,209.00
2009 Baler	6,935.00	(52%)	4,159.00	10	694.00
2013 Containers (2)	6,968.00	(52%)	6,289.00	10	697.00
2008 Container	1,040.00	(52%)	416.00	10	104.00
2001 Container	1,863.00	(54%)	-0-	10	-0-
2010 Trash Compactor	<u>7,020.00</u>	(52%)	<u>4,212.00</u>	10	<u>702.00</u>
Totals	<b>\$39,292.00</b>		<b>\$28,513.00</b>		<b>\$4,406.00</b>

### GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS/EQUIPMENT

Equipment	Purchase Price		Book Value	Life in Years	Depreciation For Year
2010 John Deere Tractor	\$ 36,000.00		\$18,000.00	8	\$ 4,500.00
2010 Truck	39,000.00		7,800.00	5	7,800.00
2013 Spreader	900.00		720.00	5	180.00
2006 Gravely 2602 Mower	6,800.00		-0-	6	-0-
2004 Wright Mower	5,800.00		-0-	5	-0-
1992 Gravely Mower	2,588.00		-0-		-0-
1986 Gravely Sweeper	3,900.00		-0-		-0-
2005 Trailer	2,200.00		-0-	8	-0-
1996 Motorola Portable Radio	690.00		-0-	5	-0-
2005 59" Snow blower	2,850.00		-0-	5	-0-
1995 Toro Snow blower	<u>733.00</u>		<u>-0-</u>	5	<u>-0-</u>
Totals	<b>\$101,461.00</b>		<b>\$26,520.00</b>		<b>\$12,480.00</b>

## **FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT**

The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) completed a sanitary survey at Mittersill in July and listed a number of deficiencies including the need for construction of a new pump house. The NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) gave us until October 31<sup>st</sup> to complete the project. A plan to correct these issues was approved enabling the work to be completed within the designated time frame.

The result was a new pump house at Mittersill which went online at the end of October 2013. The old pump station will be dismantled and taken away when warmer weather arrives in the spring. These expenses necessitated an increase in the water rates.

Thank you all for your support.

Richard McLachlin  
Marcia Graham  
Ray Peltier  
Franconia Water Commissioners

## **FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT**

### Income Statement

For the year Ending December 31, 2013

#### **REVENUES**

##### **Income**

Water Rents	\$264,879.51
Water Rent Interest	3,635.51
Other Income	116,249.29
Interest Income	93.52
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$384,857.47</b>

#### **EXPENDITURES**

Wages	1,817.90
Software	2,409.60
Postage	679.35
Propane	3,044.87
Phone	3,708.44
Contract Labor	80,281.68
Computer Contract	3,057.29
Engineer Study	2,822.00
Water Testing	6,905.00
PSNH	13,213.94
Chlorine/Sodium Hydroxide	2,425.00
EJP Supplies	8,626.41
Misc. Expense	4,119.60
Repairs	872.82
Equipment repairs	8,677.99
Pump repairs	7,095.86
Meter Readings	1,483.94
Fire House Utilities	2,789.73
General Maintenance	4,309.62
RD Loan Payment	71,488.00
Well Development	291,958.68
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$521,787.72</b>

Net Ordinary Income	-\$136,930.25
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<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-\$136,930.25</b>
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# **FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT**

## **Balance Sheet**

**For The Year Ending December 31, 2013**

**Accrual Basis**

### **ASSETS**

Cash on Hand/Checking	\$(10,905.36)
Reserve Account	77,225.20
Accounts Receivable	7,354.01
Stock on Hand	<u>15,200.00</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$88,873.85</b>

### **LIABILITIES & SURPLUS**

Accounts Payable	0.00
Surplus	<u>88,873.85</u>
<b>Total Liabilities &amp; Surplus</b>	<b>\$88,873.85</b>

### **EQUIPMENT AT COST**

Storage Tank	\$ 392,000.00
Mains	1,083,089.50
Hydrants	53,957.00
Pumps	3,380.00
Gate Valves	127,693.00
Meters	115,079.00
Pump Station/Treatment Plant (Village)	371,450.00
Pump Station/Treatment Plant (Mittersill)	276,450.00
Tools & Equipment	<u>1,563.00</u>
<b>Total Equipment at Cost</b>	<b>\$2,405,061.50</b>

**ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
**As of December 31, 2013**

**ASSETS**

Cash in Banks and on hand	\$ 24,361.42
Trust investments	<u>402,923.74</u>
Total Assets	\$427,285.16

**LIABILITIES & FUND EQUITY**

Accounts Payable	\$ 959.34
Permanently Restricted Funds	143,117.68
Reserved for special purposes	222,934.18
Unreserved Designated Fund Balance	<u>60,273.96</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Equity	\$427,285.16

**ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES**  
**December 31, 2013**  
**REVENUES**

Town Appropriation	\$ 81,000.00
Non-Resident Card Fees	637.50
Bank Interest	17.96
Building Fund	10,000.00
Contributions & donations	1,239.00
Income to Special Accounts	1,368.41
Income from trust accounts	<u>10,665.98</u>
 Total Revenues	 <u>\$104,928.85</u>

**EXPENDITURES**

Librarian's Salary	\$ 27,557.80
Other Wages	27,804.68
Payroll Expenses	4,344.32
Retirement Fund	487.00
Books, Audio, DVD's, Newspapers, Periodical	5,970.37
Bank Charges	70.73
Equipment	1,736.80
Insurance – Health	10,808.85
– Business	1,070.00
Utilities and telephone	9,277.55
Office & Library Expenses	298.73
Computer and Internet Expenses	2,190.00
Dues	160.00
Training	30.00
Bookkeeping	1,919.70
Repairs & Maintenance Supplies	1,849.78
Fees Paid	500.00
Programs	621.00
Professional Development	99.44
Postage	192.73
Gifts for staff	<u>250.00</u>
 Total Expenditures	 <u>\$ 97,239.48</u>
Net Income	7,689.37
Other Expenses - Building Income transfer to Stifel	10,000.00

**ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY**  
**Report of Endowment Funds**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2013

FUND	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			Ending Balance
	Beginning Balance	Unrealized Gain (Loss)	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Investment Income	Disbursed to Library	
Harry & Mary Priest Fund	34,669.00	(1,978.00)	32,691.00	(82.32)	1,692.38	(784.70)	- 825.36
Harry & Mary Priest Fund	73,444.07	(748.42)	72,695.65	(62.12)	2,571.66	(648.77)	- 1,860.77
WGSB – Priest #27503248	30,753.18		30,753.18		849.66		849.66
Jarvis D. Blair Fund	51,839.62	(1,841.53)	49,998.09	-	2,209.11	(806.92)	- 1,402.19
Phillips Fund	7,597.06	(820.66)	6,776.40	(12.84)	424.68	( 226.77)	- 185.07
J.C. Blair Fund	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	(1,758.91)	529.65	(604.00)	( 2.20) (1,835.46)
J.C. Blair Fund	15,480.58	(1,806.29)	13,674.29	236.37	833.16	(476.30)	- 593.23
J.C. Blair Fund	14,905.86	2,608.67	17,514.53	-	896.16	( 337.00)	- 559.16
Karl Schaffer Fund	14,047.86	(587.10)	13,460.76	116.44	590.78	(216.70)	- 490.52
Lovett Fund	5,000.00		5,000.00	123.84	145.20	-	269.04
Anonymous Library/Walls			10,000.00		207.16		10,207.16
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$250,237.23</b>	<b>\$ (5,173.33)</b>	<b>\$255,063.90</b>	<b>\$ (1,439.54)</b>	<b>\$10,949.60</b>	<b>\$ (4,101.16)</b>	<b>\$ (2.20) \$5,406.70</b>

## ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY - DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2013

### Services: Items Loaned

Adult Fiction	4,397	Total on 12/31/12	21,140
Adult Non-Fiction	1,514		
Juvenile Fiction	329	Purchased	
Juvenile Non-fiction	131	Books	110
Easy Reading	877	Paperbacks	28
Youth Fiction	102	DVDs	27
Youth Non-Fiction	7	Books on CD	9
Periodicals	566	CD'S	1
Cassettes (Books on Tape)	21		
Books on CD	231		
CDs	143	Gifts	
Playaways	0	Books	40
Puzzles	22	Paperbacks	21
Films	0	Videos	0
Videos	187	DVDs	16
DVDs	1,065	Books on CD	13
Audiobooks downloaded	1,112	CDs	0
eReaders	16	Puzzles	0
<u>Total</u>	<u>10,720</u>	eBooks	3
		<u>Total Accessions</u>	<u>268</u>

Computer Users                                541

### Items Borrowed                                         Withdrawn

From NH State Library	7	Total on 12/31/12	21,042
From Other NH Libraries	737		
From Lafayette Regional	0	Books on CD Leased	0
Loaned to Other NH Libraries	421	Periodicals Purchased	25
		Periodicals Gift	9
New Borrower Cards:	27	Newspapers	4

<u>Total Active Borrowers</u>	<u>844</u>	Children's Programs	2
		Attendance	38
		Adult Programs	22
		Attendance	321

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane A. Cloran

## ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY

Renovations continued this year, coordinated by Library Trustee Chuck Lovett and Buildings & Grounds Manager Jeff Phillips. The front steps and railings were repaired by Fern's Masonry and the sidewalk and garden by White Mountain Concrete. The front door and surrounding woodwork were refinished by John Serino.

The library received a Conservation License Plate Grant from the NH Division of Historical Resources for restoration of the brick and stone facade. The successful grant application was written by Chuck Lovett. The selection process recognized the significance of the Library to NH history, the continued support of the Town of Franconia and participation of the community in Library programs, and the dedication of the Board of Trustees to the Library's stewardship. The application included letters of support from State Representative Rebecca Brown, Ned Densmore, Thomas Eyman, Dan and Mary Fowler, and Irene Mosedale. The project will be conducted in spring 2014 by Northeast Masonry of Bow, NH.

The Library was busy with programs all year; beginning with a poetry discussion facilitated by Baron Wormser called Talking About Frost. Presentations continued with Holly Hayward on Herbs for Lyme Disease and Jenny Deupree on Sacred Sites in Ancient Keltia. The Dartmouth Poet in Residence, Nicole Terez Dutton, gave a poetry reading. Cristina Ashjian presented Exemplary Country Estates, funded by the NH Humanities Council. Two author programs were "Cornell Iron Works: the History of an Enduring Family Business" by Katherine Cornell Gorka and "Lessons From a Diplomatic Life: Watching Flowers From Horseback" by Marshall Adair. The Library hosted a program on Connected Farm Buildings of New England that was sponsored by the Franconia Heritage Council. Eileen Ball held five classes on how to play Mah Jongg.

Circulation increased across the collection, with adult fiction going up 6.4%, juvenile fiction 11.5%, and DVDs 7.6%. Reflecting nationwide trends, checkouts of eReaders increased 60% and the number of audio and eBooks downloaded increased by 65.7%.

Assistant Director Sybil Carey and Library Assistant Joanne Carey reorganized the collection and improved the décor of the Library. The Reading Room now houses the Centennial Collection of poetry and classics, including titles that were part of the Library's original collection. With funding from the Friends of the Library, Bruce Koehler crafted two new bookcases for the lobby, designed to match the original woodwork.

Executive Councilor Ray Burton and State Senator Jeff Woodburn visited during National Library Week to celebrate this year's theme, "Communities Matter At Your Library."

The Library is grateful for donations from Ann Ackley, Dorothy Crossley, the FRESH Ladies Book Club, the Friends of the Abbie Greenleaf Library, Jean Grace, and Kris Pastoriza. Irene Mosedale donated a new Mah Jongg set.

Donations in memory of Rita Besaw were made by the Ammonoosuc Valley Retired Educators Association and the FRESH Ladies Book Club, who planted a crabapple tree on the front lawn. Donations in memory of Diane Chippendale were made by the FRESH Ladies Book Club and Richard and Barbara Langworthy. Sue Jessen made a donation for her grandmother Clara Halket. A donation in memory of Alice and Kathy Nelson was made by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

	PRINCIPAL		
	Prin. Bal. Beginning of Year	Funds Added or Reinvested	Cash Gains or (Losses) on Securities
<b>Expendable/Maintenance Funds:</b>			
Sidewalk Improvement	22,243.77	1,007.84	-0-
Highway Improvement	11,059.46	120,006.03	-0-
Town Buildings Maintenance	141,328.35	20,449.86	-0-
Library Building Maintenance Fund	5,046.12	1.49	-0-
Safety Services Facilities Improv.	252,084.73	88.81	-0-
Rink Surface Maintenance Fund	2,442.76	2,000.06	-0-
Cemetery Restoration	135.47	-0-	-0-
Heritage Museum	35.78	-0-	-0-
Emergency Management	<u>6,877.55</u>	<u>2.17</u>	<u>-0-</u>
	441,253.99	143,556.26	-0-
<b>Capital Reserve Funds:</b>			
Remedial Education	133,697.91	47.18	-0-
Lafayette School Fund	101,941.07	10,036.01	-0-
Bridge Construction	7,554.98	2.43	-0-
Reassessment	8,913.46	8,503.48	-0-
Legal	30,262.23	10.73	-0-
Police Cruiser	32,108.79	6,411.47	-0-
Handicap Access	78.91	-0-	-0-
Dow Field	3,722.60	1.01	-0-
Fire Truck Pumper	55,237.08	14,419.86	-0-
Highway Truck	197,424.82	48,570.26	-0-
Highway Heavy Equipment	73,344.27	9,025.96	-0-
Life Squad Van	31,790.89	11,011.44	-0-
Town Buildings Truck	15,916.49	5,605.70	-0-
Transfer Station Equipment	7,144.21	2.24	-0-
Fire Truck Equipment	24,444.51	6,308.65	-0-
Town Buildings & Grounds Equip	14,431.78	6,105.22	-0-
Fire Truck Tanker	83,457.99	15,229.63	-0-
Fire Dept Safety Equipment	30,041.48	10,010.85	-0-
Forestry Truck	531.81	-0-	-0-
School Technology Fund	25,036.24	8.77	-0-
Transfer Station Imp	4,705.74	1.37	-0-
Life Squad Equipment	-0-	3,200.00	-0-
Frost Place Maintenance	-0-	3,900.00	-0-
	881,787.26	158,412.26	-0-
Bank, General Account	90.49	609,875.70	-0-
Cemetery Trust Fund	97,554.01	1,850.00	-0-
Franconia Scholarship Fund	101,336.56	-0-	-0-
Lucy Pfosi Memorial Fund	<u>10,005.81</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>
	208,896.38	1,850.00	-0-

## DECEMBER 31, 2013

Expended During Year	Balance End of Year	INCOME		Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End of Year
		Balance Beginning of Year				
-0-	23,251.61	-0-	7.84	( 7.84)	-0-	
(106,000.00)	25,065.49	-0-	6.03	( 6.03)	-0-	
( 88,395.00)	73,383.21	-0-	49.86	(49.86)	-0-	
-0-	5,047.61	-0-	1.49	( 1.49)	-0-	
(4,446.00)	247,727.54	-0-	88.81	(88.81)	-0-	
-0-	4,442.82	-0-	.06	( 0.06)	-0-	
-0-	135.47	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
-0-	35.78	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
-0-	<u>6,879.72</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>2.17</u>	<u>( 2.17)</u>	<u>-0-</u>	
(198,841.00)	385,969.25	-0-	156.26	(156.26)	-0-	
-0-	133,745.09	-0-	47.18	(47.18)	-0-	
-0-	111,977.08	-0-	36.01	(36.01)	-0-	
-0-	7,557.41	-0-	2.43	( 2.43)	-0-	
-0-	17,416.94	-0-	3.48	( 3.48)	-0-	
-0-	30,272.96	-0-	10.73	(10.73)	-0-	
-0-	38,520.26	-0-	11.47	(11.47)	-0-	
-0-	78.91	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
-0-	3,723.61	-0-	1.01	( 1.01)	-0-	
-0-	69,656.94	-0-	19.86	(19.86)	-0-	
(102,000.00)	143,995.08	-0-	70.26	(70.26)	-0-	
-0-	82,370.23	-0-	25.96	(25.96)	-0-	
-0-	42,802.33	-0-	11.44	(11.44)	-0-	
-0-	21,522.19	-0-	5.70	( 5.70)	-0-	
(6,055.00)	1,091.45	-0-	2.24	( 2.24)	-0-	
-0-	30,753.16	-0-	8.65	( 8.65)	-0-	
-0-	20,537.00	-0-	5.22	( 5.22)	-0-	
-0-	98,687.62	-0-	29.63	(29.63)	-0-	
-0-	40,052.33	-0-	10.85	(10.85)	-0-	
-0-	531.81	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
-0-	25,045.01	-0-	8.77	( 8.77)	-0-	
(4,145.00)	562.11	-0-	1.37	( 1.37)	-0-	
-0-	3,200.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
-0-	3,900.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	
(112,200.00)	<u>927,999.52</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>312.26</u>	<u>(312.26)</u>	<u>-0-</u>	
(609,841.00)	124.74	-0-	34.70	(34.70)	-0-	
-0-	99,404.01	25,066.51	4,634.82	-0-	29,701.33	
-0-	101,336.56	4,398.77	5,075.97	-0-	9,474.74	
-0-	<u>10,005.81</u>	<u>212.69</u>	<u>406.91</u>	<u>(200.00)</u>	<u>419.60</u>	
-0-	210,746.38	29,677.97	10,117.70	(200.00)	39,595.67	

## **FRANCONIA FIRE DEPARTMENT 2013**

The Fire Department has seen another very busy year. Our equipment was toned out by the Grafton County Dispatch Center 103 times. This number represents fire alarm activations, motor vehicle accidents and mutual aid calls.

In January the Department faced the first house fire of 2013 with temperatures that reached -24 degrees. These temperatures create many obstacles when fighting a fire. The Department would like to thank the Woodstock, Lincoln, Bethlehem, Easton, Sugar Hill and Lisbon Fire Departments for their assistance. In addition many local businesses stepped up and provided food for the Firemen under the direction of Jenifer Odell and Ginger Ball. Thank you to Garnet Hill, Wendle's, MoJo's, Macs Market and the Franconia Village Store.

The Chief and Deputy Chief have been working with the Safety Services Building Committee on a proposal for a new Safety Services Building for Franconia. We hope you will take the opportunity to view the plans on Town Meeting Day.

The Department strongly recommends that homeowners with dial out alarm systems consider installing a Knox Box on their home. A Knox Box allows the Department access to a key, if an alarm activation occurs at your home in your absence. In addition, if you are installing or replacing any heating equipment an inspection is required. Please contact the station at 823-8821 to discuss either of these items.

Two members of our Department Ryan O'Hara and Tyler Gaudette have successfully transitioned to full-time fire positions in Bedford and Merrimack NH. Any resident interested in joining the Department is invited to stop by the station. Meetings & training are held on the first and third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.

We continue to work co-operatively with surrounding mutual aid communities. We want to thank the Franconia Life Squad, Franconia Police Department and the Franconia Highway Department for their ongoing co-operation and assistance during emergency situations.

We would like to thank the community for their continued support of the Department.

### **A Roll of Your Fire Department Members**

Rick Gaudette, Chief

Roger Odell, Asst. Chief

Cray Ball

Harvey Flanders

Kirk Luce

Stanley Sherburn

Kim Cowles

Peter Gaudette

Tom Palmer

George Whitcomb

Tim Cowles

Tyler Gaudette

Phil Payette

Darrel Dietlein

Rick Grima

John Peckett

Kendall Eastman

Ted Hoyle

Alex Peoples

## **REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER**

In Franconia open burning requires a permit year-round. For Homeowner protection NO permit is issued without an on-site inspection.

Burn Permits may be obtained from:

George Whitcomb	Fire Warden	603-823-5986
Roger Odell	Deputy Fire Warden	603-823-5340
Harvey Flanders	Deputy Fire Warden	603-823-8801

Thank you for your cooperation,  
George Whitcomb  
Forest Fire Warden

### **2013 FIRE STATISTICS**

(All fires reported as of November, 2013)

**figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest**

COUNTY	ACRES	NUMBER OF FIRES
BELKNAP	14.5	11
CARROLL	56.5	7
CHESHIRE	11	19
COOS	8.5	29
GRAFTON	22.3	41
HILLSBOROUGH	9.5	25
MERRIMACK	11.2	24
ROCKINGHAM	4.3	4
STRAFFORD	1	11
SULLIVAN	5.2	11

### **CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED**

Arson	1
Debris	69
Campfire	12
Children	1
Smoking	10
Railroad	0
Equipment	4
Lightning	0
Miscellaneous	85

\* IE: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.

	Total Fire	Total Acres
2013	182	144
2012	318	206
2011	125	42
2010	360	145
2009	334	173

## **FRANCONIA POLICE DEPARTMENT**

As I write this to you, it is the morning after the first Safety Services Building public meeting, on January 23, 2014. It has been a year and a half since I was hired as the Police Chief. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know the community, and I was heartened by the turn out at the meeting. The attendance was representative of the true caring that this community has for one another and symbolic to me that it takes all of our participation to be successful. The last eighteen months has held some of the most rewarding and challenging moments for me in my fifteen years of law enforcement. It has developed me as a person and as a professional and for that I am thankful. One of the challenges has been in answering the question: "What is most important to me as a Chief and to us as a Department in our relationship to the community of Franconia?" Three words have come back every time we ask ourselves that question. They are trust, accessibility and accountability.

We have worked hard to earn your trust; without it, we would not be accessible. When you do come to us for help, we hold ourselves accountable to you to provide the services you deserve. We ask ourselves: "Are we giving the community what they are paying for?" If we are missing the mark, we want to know; and when we hit it, it's nice to know that too. What I've discovered is that the people who make up Franconia are as tough, bold and beautiful as the mountains that surround us. You are not afraid to participate, to speak up, and to get involved, and for that I am truly grateful. Thank you for the opportunity to be your Chief of Police, and for the Department, we thank you for the privilege it is to serve you.

Respectfully yours,  
Chief John K Monaghan MS

<b>CRIMINAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>ARRESTS</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>
Assaults	7	9	Theft	1	1
Sexual Assault	3	0	Driving While Intoxicated	3	6
Bad Checks	1	1	Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0
Burglary/trespass	4	25	Unlawful Possession of Alcohol	0	3
Computer Crime	2	0	Intimidation	0	0
Criminal Mischief	9	2	Simple Assault	0	5
Disorderly Conduct	6	6	Resisting Arrest	0	0
Domestic Disturbance	16	16	Conduct After Accident	0	2
Criminal Trespass	7	12	Domestic Violence	4	3
Drug Investigation	2	4	Harassment	0	1
Fraud/Theft/Robbery	59	15	Criminal Mischief	0	0
Harassment	6	5	Criminal Threatening	0	1
Criminal Threatening	2	6	Burglary	0	0
Illegal Dumping	*	2	Shoplifting	0	0
Juvenile offenses	*	2	Protective Custody/IEA	*	6
Attempted Suicide	0	4	Criminal Trespass	0	0
Possession of Alcohol	1	14	Disorderly Conduct	1	2
Unattended Death	*	2	Opr w/o Valid License/OAS/HO	1	9
Wanted Persons	*	20	Electronic Bench Warrant	*	3
			Possession of Drugs	*	7
			Reckless Operation	*	2
			Illegal Dumping	*	1
<b>CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>			<b>MOTOR VEHICLE</b>		
Alarms	107	89	Accidents	64	69
Animal Complaints	47	46	Summons & Warnings	254	526
911 Hang ups	27	28	Citizen/Motorist Assists	53	46
Disturbance/Fight/Brawl	5	11	Suspicious Vehicles/Persons	20	69
F&G/Missing Lost Persons	44	27	Disabled Vehicles	101	104
Noise Complaints	4	13	MV Complaints/BOLO/REDI	*	74
Assist other Agency	*	13	VIN Verifications	*	7
Foot patrol/bldg. checks	*	87	MISC SPOTS Inquires	*	184
Follow up investigations	*	92			
Civil Stand By	*	6			
Admin Calls/paperwork Service	*	157	<b>TOTAL INCIDENTS</b>	1272	1954
Road hazard	*	45			
Special Events	*	23			
Welfare Checks	*	20			
MISC	*	26	*New Category for 2013		

## **FRANCONIA LIFE SQUAD**

The Franconia Life Squad currently has four (4) members who are certified to provide Advanced Life Support, three (3) of which are nationally registered paramedics. The Franconia Life Squad at year's end has twelve (12) active members. A membership well prepared to assist our citizens and visitors to our area with quality emergency medical care.

All members are Nationally Registered Emergency Medical Technicians. They are continually training and improving their skills. Each member must have a minimum of 24 hours of continuing education each year plus every two years must take an additional 24 hours of classroom refresher, where members must demonstrate their proficiency to State examiners.

Many of the members have other specialized training including ice rescue, swift water rescue, high angle rescue and motor vehicle extrication certifications. All of our members are certified in advance CPR and in the use of the heart monitor and defibrillator. Most importantly, all of our members are dedicated to providing compassionate emergency medical care from the scene to the hospital.

The Life Squad continues to seek its' membership by recruiting from the Towns of Franconia, Sugar Hill and Easton, the same communities it provides service to. All volunteers are welcome to join. Each member is dedicated to providing the highest quality emergency care to the communities we serve.

The current list of active members of the Franconia Life Squad are:

Chief Paul Schmucker – EMT

Steve Czarnecki – EMT-P	Capt. Pam Oakman – AEMT	William Mead – EMT-P
Ned Wilson – EMT-B	Bill Blackwell – AEMT	Linda Mordhorst – EMT-B
Asst. Chief – Mark Taylor EMT	Allan Clark – EMT	Gareth Slattery – EMT-B
John Ireland – EMT	Zach Mangione – EMT-B	Susan Simpson – EMT-B

The Franconia Life Squad responded to 263 calls for assistance during 2013, of those 144 required transport.

In 2013, the total operating expenses for the Franconia Life Squad were \$56,790. Income obtained from patient billing and subsidies from Sugar Hill totaled \$57,848. There was no subsidy recovered from Easton, although we did respond in Easton over six (6) times. The net cost for the operation of the Franconia Life Squad to the Town of Franconia being no cost and a surplus of \$1,058.

Your Life Squad is currently operating at the Advanced Life Support – paramedic level.

Again, I sincerely thank the townspeople for their continued support and the privilege of serving them. I especially thank the men and women of the Franconia Life Squad for their countless hours of dedication and sacrifice, serving others in their community.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Schmucker – Chief  
Franconia Life Squad

## **FRANCONIA HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

The Franconia Highway Department 2013 Annual Report details all maintenance and road construction completed this year as well as future plans relevant to road construction.

- Our Highway Department purchased a much needed 2014 International six wheel dump truck used to maintain town roads in both the winter and summer.
- Graded and raked all gravel roads in need, and applied calcium chloride to maintain dust control.
- Over 2000 yards of crushed gravel was spread over numerous town roads.
- In the spring of 2013, all paved roads were swept.
- Mowed all roadsides with town tractor.
- One of our largest road projects was the reclaiming and repaving of Coal Hill and McGowen Hill. Additionally, we reclaimed asphalt on Timber Lane and left gravel. Reclaimed and repaved entrance approach to Timber Lane.
- Reclaimed Toad Hill from Mountain View Road to Toad Hill Farm. Graded, rolled, compacted, and left gravel.
- Replaced all culverts as needed on Coal Hill, and Toad Hill.
- Graded and paved entrance to Town's Transfer Station.
- Shimmed bad spots at Mittersill with asphalt.
- Installed new water line to Town Garage from Transfer Station well.
- All Town Buildings have been brought up to code for the Department of Labor

Dependent on 2014's Budget allowance, the following items are scheduled for reparation consideration:

- Laying final top coat of pavement on Coal Hill, McGowan Hill, and Wallace Hill Roads
- Upgrade and make much needed repairs to the top of Lafayette Road and Plantation Road.
- Addition of gravel to roadways that were not graveled in 2013
- Continue with ditching efforts of roadways to help with drainage.
- Along with the C.I.P., have established a ten (10) year sidewalk plan.
- Continued work efforts with the Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School Project.

I would like say a Special Thanks to Jim Cyrs and Jeremy Hall of the Highway Department, and Jeff Philips of Buildings and Grounds, for their hard work, dedication, and reliability.

Respectfully submitted,  
Scott Leslie, Public Works Director

## TRI-TOWN TRANSFER STATION

2013 pretty much mirrored 2012. Market prices for recycled products remained the same with very little variance. Although we had a slight increase in hauling and tipping costs, this was offset by an increase in recycled goods, and a decrease in landfill tonnage. All in all, a good year. Thank you!

- Cardboard – 73.7 tons
- Mixed paper – 84.4 tons
- Aluminum – 3.2 tons
- Tin – 6.6 tons
- Plastics – 22.6 tons
- Scrap Metal – 24.1 tons
- Glass – 111.9 tons
- Textiles – 4.2 tons
- Electronics – 7.50 tons
- Propane Tanks – 1.2 tons
- Tires – 5.8 tons

Respectfully submitted,  
Your Transfer Station Crew,  
Greg Wells, Manager  
Kevin Dauphine  
Nate Hartford  
Corey Rush

## **FRANCONIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

The Franconia Department of Emergency Management is primarily responsible for preparation, organized response to, and mitigation of large scale disasters both natural and manmade that should occur in the Town of Franconia. In 2013 Emergency Management Section was formed to stand as a separate Department from other Emergency response Departments. Previously the Department was part of the Franconia Police Department and was managed by myself and former Police Chief Montminy.

Our main function during an emergency is to form a unified command system so that all Departments within the Town can function together efficiently and effectively to mitigate the emergency. Our Secondary function is to act as a liaison between the Town and State Emergency Management for procurement of funds and equipment that might be needed during the emergency.

This year we have completed an updated version of the Franconia All Hazards Mitigation Plan and the Franconia Local Emergency operations Plan. Both Plans were paid for through Grants supplied from the State. These plans meet FEMA and State requirements for emergency operations and planning. It is my hope that we will never need these plans but we will be ready.

I would like to thank all those who participated in the preparation of these plans. I extend a special thanks to our emergency finance officer Sally Small for her dedication and diligence to complete these plans.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mark Taylor, Emergency Management Director  
Martin Cashin, Deputy Emergency Management Director

## **PLANNING BOARD**

### **Lot Line Adjustments**

- Moyer, Oaks Road/Summit Drive – approved
- Grote, Wells Road – approved
- Thompson, Easton Rd/Route 116 – approved

### **Site Plan Review**

- TTW, LLC, Main St. - approved

### **Subdivisions**

- Nelson, McKenzie Woods Road, Minor Subdivision – approved

In terms of new development activity within the Town for 2013, the year continued to be relatively quiet again, like the previous year. The majority of activity was related to Lot Line adjustments, some site plan reviews and a minor subdivision approval creating 2 lots out of one, in an already existing subdivision development.

At the beginning of the year, as part of the Town's planning process, the Planning Board reviewed and approved the 2013 CIP capital expenditure budget plan for the balance of the year and going forward. The PB feels the CIP process has become a valuable planning and management tool for the Town and strongly supports this process.

The balance of the Board's time in 2013 has been spent with the ongoing comprehensive review and updating of the Town's zoning and planning regulations which will continue into 2014.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Hesler  
Planning Board, Chairman

## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment, upon application, reviews and decides on alleged errors in administrative findings and grants variances to the Town's zoning ordinance to provide relief from hardship. The Board also has the authority to grant exceptions for use in keeping with certain provisions of the ordinance.

In April 2013 the Zoning Board of Adjustment held their annual meeting to vote on officers.

April 10: Erich Buddenhagen was granted a special exception to Article III, Section 2f:2 to allow construction of a connected garage to existing house, and existing garage remodeled to apartment. No restrictions were noted.

May 22: Anne Edwards was granted an area variance to Article III, Section 2. This variance addresses a previous improper subdivision granted April 28, 2010, and was ordered recorded by the Grafton County Registry of Deeds.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donald Lawton, Chairman

## **FRANCONIA CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

During the Franconia Conservation Commission 2013 Season:

- The Commission participated in the Lafayette School Earth Day Celebration with representatives from the Town of Franconia. With the Lafayette Student Council, we cleaned Shitte Creek and the Gale River Trail.
- With the help of Garnet Hill Green Team, the trails in Fox Hill Park and along the Gale River were cut back.
- With the help of Sam Johnk, Chris Collman and Jim Cavanaugh, wood chips were spread on the River Trail to help with erosion and make the trail easier to ride and walk.
- After walking the boundaries of Fox Hill Park with SPNHF it was determined that one landowner is encroaching on town land and are making efforts to clean this up. The park itself is well maintained.
- \$5,000 was given to ACT for the purchase of 600 acres for the Cooley-Jericho forest.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly Cowles, Chairman, John LaChapelle, Mary Grote,  
Kathryn McCarthy, Red McCarthy and Ginny Jeffryes

## **COOLEY-JERICHO COMMUNITY FOREST**

Thanks to the support of Franconia, Easton, Landaff, Sugar Hill, numerous individuals, and public and private funding, the Cooley-Jericho Community Forest was created in September. This 843-acre forest has great public recreational opportunities, includes critical wildlife habitat, protects headwater streams, preserves scenic views, offers educational uses, and will provide timber income to the towns over the long term. The Lafayette fourth grade has used the forest as an outdoor classroom and we invite all other schools in the area to do the same.

This winter, volunteers along with a consulting ecologist have been studying wildlife on the forest by inventorying animal tracks. This spring we will be doing bird surveys. Meanwhile the ecologist has mapped the entire property for forest condition and natural communities (and found more, larger trees than previously thought, along with a large remote beaver pond). All this information will go into a natural resources inventory and stewardship plan that will guide management of the forest. Recreational trail planning is also underway, with construction and mapping to start later this year. We will also improve a parking area off of Trumpet Round Road in Sugar Hill. On all of these efforts volunteers are needed and appreciated!

The management committee for the forest meets monthly. The Franconia representative is Chris Nicodemus. Hikes, bird walks, and other activities are published in the local newspapers, posted at the town office, on the ACT website [www.aconservationtrust.org](http://www.aconservationtrust.org) and Facebook page, and on the project website [www.cooley-jericho.org](http://www.cooley-jericho.org), now under construction.

The *Cooley-Jericho Community Forest Plan* describing the land, the soil and forest types, and goals and objectives for the forest is available on the Ammonoosuc Conservation.

## LAFAYETTE RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Lafayette Recreation Department has had another great year. A huge THANK YOU goes out to all who made this happen.

The Old Home Day, Franconia Scramble, Top Notch Triathlon, Fox Hill 5K Trail Run, Halloween Cup Soccer Tournament, Wobble & Gobble pi(e) Fun Run and the Summer Concerts were all very successful, bringing people and revenue to our towns. We hope to improve upon all of the above and add new events when possible.

A new shed was erected this spring on the Dow with proceeds from last year's events and has been a great addition to the park and provides much needed storage for sports equipment. This year we purchased a 2011 passenger van. We are very excited for all the opportunities of adventure that await us!

The ice skating has been very good and the rink is getting lots of use; Family Skate Night, birthday parties, after school activities, Lafayette Elementary School Winter Program, tourists, second home owners and local residents have all come out to play.

There are abundant trails in the three towns and we are in a continuous process of inventorying, maintaining, mapping and making signs with trail information. An updated map was published last spring and is available at local stores. Anyone interested in adopting a trail should email [recreation@franconianh.org](mailto:recreation@franconianh.org)

Youth soccer, baseball, softball and basketball had excellent attendance and successes along the way. Thank you very much to all the coaches who give so much of their time to these programs and our kids.

Kris Kappler has done another outstanding job of organizing all the youth teams, and the summer program. Without her dedication and organizational skills our heads would spin. A good leader brings out the best in the staff and our team of recreation counselors proves just that.

The Lafayette Recreation Committee meets the first Thursday of every month the location to be announced. Check the Recreation Department website. [www.lafayetterecreation.weebly.com](http://www.lafayetterecreation.weebly.com) for all kinds of fun and information.

Watch for next summer's schedule and participate in the "SNAP SHOT CHALLENGE." You'll find the pictures at [www.franconianh.org](http://www.franconianh.org).

Respectfully submitted,  
Lafayette Committee Members

**Franconia:** Jeff Malcolm, Beth Horan & Adam Boyer

**Sugar Hill:** Haley Ireland & Launa Glover

**Easton:** Sue Ford & Matt Koehler

**Lafayette Regional School:** Gordie Johnk

Kris Kappler, Youth Program Director

Kim Cowles, Park & Recreation Director

## **FRANCONIA NOTCH REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2013 REPORT**

2013 was a year of remolding for the chamber. The Bylaws were updated to meet the changing structure and mission of the chamber. Two important amendments have provided us with a 12 person board of directors, and moved our annual dinner meeting & silent auction back to late October to benefit our growing membership of tourism businesses that belong to other North Country chambers to avoid conflicts of annual business meetings.

New committees have been established for the purpose of building a more effective chamber to meet the ever increasing changes in technology and marketing, and to better meet our mission and purpose. These are Membership Committee, Events Committee, Marketing Committee and Finance Committee- all dedicated to (1) Improve and increase the two allowable methods of producing income allowed by our non-profit 501C-6 status, and (2) . Address the constant change in technology, media and advertising pieces to keep pace with other chambers and organizations in strengthening our tourism economy.

We enjoyed our first tourism season at our Main Street location. We chose not to staff the information booth so visitors would be attracted to our new Main Street location. This move brought visitors, vacationers and guests to Main Street where they could find needed services and be closer to local amenities. We provided indoor Wi-Fi service, and more information through our member brochures and map displays. The location made it much easier to handle the most prevalent questions- “directions to”, “scenic tours” and all things White Mountains and Franconia Notch State Park. Visitors more easily understood our maps and scenic routes that loop in all directions from I-93 (routes 3, 18, 116, 117, 302, 112).

Member brochures, maps and the bulletin board were maintained at the information booth for access 24/7. The board is looking at other options for location of the booth due to the increase in parking needs for town business, meetings and local traffic..

The Annual Fields of Lupine Festival celebrated its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a parade to lead off the festivities. Our thanks to Messrs Woo and Mellekas, Mrs. Whitney and the students of Lafayette School for the success of this anniversary parade.

Please visit our website page [franconianotch.org/things-to-do/special-events/](http://franconianotch.org/things-to-do/special-events/) for listings on our four season events, new and traditional.

We continue to collaborate with other area chambers and White Mountain Attractions in providing events and advertising, while we seek better ways to strengthen our budget for marketing, media and website development.

We are pleased to introduce our new Social Media Manager, Meg Brown of Sugar Hill, (MegaBug Photography, LLC) who has volunteered to provide these services for us.

We thank the towns of Franconia, Sugar Hill and Easton for their continuing support and encouragement of the chamber to be their voice in promoting our area as a four season destination to visit, recreate, discover and explore for the unique beauty of our western White Mountains, our quality of life, history and hospitality.

Respectfully submitted,  
Barbara Ashley, Executive Director

**FRANCONIA NOTCH REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
**January 2013 through December 2013**

**Income**

Membership Dues	\$36,284.00
Town Contribution Income	16,900.00
Ads (Brochures   Newsletter   Mailers   Website)	6,931.25
Business Discount Cards	505.00
Chamber Annual Dinner Meeting & Auction	10,403.50
Event Income (Moose Golf Tourney - Lupine Festival -Old Home Day)	15,270.63
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$86,294.38</u></b>

**Expense**

Office Expense	\$11,652.80
Payroll Wages (1.5. Employees)	34,198.99
Payroll Tax Expense	2,848.92
Total Marketing	13,477.57
Chamber Annual Dinner Meeting & Auction	5,854.38
Total Events Expense	12,429.85

<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b><u>\$80,462.51</u></b>
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Net Ordinary Income	\$ 5,831.87
Other Income/Expense	\$ 3.99

<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$ 5,835.86</u></b>
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## THE FROST PLACE

2013 was a busy year for The Frost Place (TFP). Some of the highlights of the past twelve months are noted in this report.

- The Board of Trustees and staff continued to follow the Strategic Plan. A primary focus of which is to provide more programming and services to the local community. TFP developed a collaborative relationship with The White Mountain School, participated in several Town of Franconia Recreation Department events, increased our participation in the Chamber of Commerce activities, partnered with the Abbie Greenleaf Library for programs and events, and secured a grant that puts poets and teachers into local schools. During 2014 we will be hosting more community programs including some outside of the regular museum season, and we will seek additional funding for educational programs.
- More than 3,600 visitors - from around the globe - came to The Frost Place Museum (and to the Franconia community), between Memorial Day and Columbus Day. These visitors patronized local businesses as well as The Frost Place. (This is a significant increase compared to last year's total of 2,600 visitors).
- A few repairs have been made and maintenance projects undertaken at The Frost Place this year. These include; repairing and painting the downstairs bedroom ceiling; fixing the washed-out path leading from the parking lot to the museum; removing encroaching sumac and re-seeding the lawn; installing a granite step in front of the sliding door barn entrance; leveling the stage in the barn, replacing the porch steps, and many other small repairs and improvements. Funding has been sought for larger repairs and renovations of the house.
- Since 1977, The Frost Place has awarded a Resident Poet Fellowship to allow a contemporary poet to live and work in the house for two months of the summer. This year, The Frost Place Writer in Residence was Nicole Terez Dutton. Ms. Dutton gave featured readings at Dartmouth College, at the Abbie Greenleaf Library, and at The Frost Place for Frost Day, July 7<sup>th</sup>. Nicole Terez Dutton's work has appeared in *Callaloo*, *Ploughshares*, *32 Poems*, *Indiana Review*, and *Salt Hill Journal*. Nicole earned an MFA from Brown University and has received the winter fellowship from the Fine Arts Work Center, a "waitership" at the Bread Loaf Writers' Conference and a residency at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts. She is the winner of the 2011 Cave Canem Poetry Prize for *If One of Us Should Fall*. Nicole lives in Boston and is a lecturer at Boston University.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Frost Place Chapbook Contest & Residency

The Frost Place launched its first annual chapbook contest, an international competition drawing applications of poets of high caliber from across the country. Jill Osier's winning chapbook, *Should Our Undoing Come Down Upon Us White*, was published by Bull City Press; and Ms. Osier gave a featured reading at the Poetry Seminar, as well as lived and worked in the house-museum for a one-week residency.

- Commemorative Bench Installed

A granite memorial bench was placed at the left entrance to the Poetry Trail to commemorate the life and legacy of The Frost Place's founder, David Schaffer. An official announcement and dedication ceremony is scheduled for Spring 2014.

- "Talking About Frost" - Noted poet Baron Wormser led four evening discussions on four of Robert Frost's poems at the Abbie Greenleaf Library. These discussions were all free and open to the public and part of the collaboration between the Abbie Greenleaf Library and The Frost Place.

- Moultonborough, NH Library Group Visit; June 18, 2013

The Frost Place hosted members of the Moultonborough Library from Moultonborough, NH. This was part of a literary tour and a collaboration between the library and The Frost Place. Maudelle Driskell, the executive director of TFP, gave a lecture on one of Frost's significant poems, "Out, Out."

- 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Lupine Festival, June 1-15, 2013

Maudelle Driskell worked with the planning committee of the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Lupine Festival and helped the festival organizers re-design their website. Sarah Audsley, Assistant to the Director, organized a Museum Open House Day amongst the many local museums on a specified day during the Lupine Festival.

- 2013 Frost Place School Outreach Programs

Sarah Audsley taught a one-day class on Robert Frost and gave a presentation on The Frost Place at the Robert Frost Charter School in Conway, NH.

Sarah Audsley also represented The Frost Place at the local annual Literacy Day at the Littleton Elementary School in the Spring. Students were able to make their own poems and learned more about TFP.

The Frost Place hosted three English classes from Profile High School Students. Each student received two free posters with images of Robert Frost and his poetry. All students were given a tour of the house, which included the private poet's quarters, and walked the Poetry Trail, thus connecting them to what is available to them right in their backyard. This was collaboration with English school teacher Lori Innes, and, hopefully, will be a reoccurring event every year.

- Frost in the Schools

On November 7<sup>th</sup>, as part of a grant-funded program with the goal of poetry educational outreach programs in local schools, Dawn Potter, poet, author, and teacher, visited Profile High School. She taught 250 students.

Also, on December 14<sup>th</sup>, Erin Sweeney of Profile brought her senior poetry elective class to walk the poetry trail, read the posted poems for "found poetry" ideas, and talk about imagery. The Frost Place hopes to continue and to expand this program in 2013.

- This Verse Business – Gordon Clapp, Emmy Award-Winning actor appeared as Robert Frost in a one-man play at St. Johnsbury Academy on Oct. 4, 2014. This was a benefit show supporting both The Frost Place and Kingdom County Productions.

- Frost Place Poetry Reading Series & Frost in the Air

Each year poets visiting TFP participate in a reading series which is free to the public. In addition to readings during the summer poetry conferences, TFP added poetry readings by NH state poets: poets from The Poetry Society of NH; poets from Hobblebush Books; and poets from the Hyla Brook Poetry Series.

Over the summer, we continued the “Frost in the Air” program, which invites local community members to directly participate in poetry readings at The Frost Place. At the start of on-site readings by contemporary poets, individuals from the community were invited to read their favorite Frost poems from the podium. Reading alongside guest poets and faculty, community members not only enjoyed the transformative experience of reading in Robert Frost’s own barn, they were also able to connect with contemporary poets and serve as ambassadors of the local community to the visiting writers, teachers, and poets.

- World Book Night, April 23, 2013

Sarah Audsley applied on behalf of TFP and received and distributed 20 free copies of *Favorite American Poems* as part of World Book Night, 2013. She also worked with Jane Cloran at the Abbie Greenleaf Library to help offer this opportunity to access free books to a population that normally does not read, thus encouraging a vibrant community through reading and literature.

- Lectures at The Frost Farm in Derry, NH & at the NH Writers’ Project Event by Maudelle Driskell, executive director

Maudelle Driskell lectured at both The Frost Farm in Derry, NH and at the NH Writers’ Project Writers’ Day event, where she also promoted The Frost Place and connected with other writers in NH.

- September Partner of the Month at the Littleton Co-op in Littleton, NH

The Frost Place was selected to be the September Partner of the Month at the Littleton Co-op. Frost Place staff met and greeted local community members shopping at the Co-op during the Friday Pizza Night. TFP offered a promotion of discounted museum admission fees to locals for the month of September as advertised on the Co-op’s prominent bulletin board featuring The Frost Place.

## **THE FROST PLACE PROGRAMS**

- The Frost Place Summer programs continued with an overall increase in the number of participants. A creative writing addition was added to the Conference on Poetry and Teaching, headed by Baron Wormser. Teachers as Writers offered teachers the opportunity to hone their own personal craft as an added way to enhance their ability to teach poetry in their classrooms.

- Conference on Poetry and Teaching

This June 23 – 27th, The Frost Place held our annual conference, which trains teachers to effectively integrate poetry into their own curricula. 16 teachers attended the conference, traveling from across the country to spend a full week on-site at The Frost Place. As a group, they learned to use interactive poetry/literacy activities in their respective classrooms. A tuition scholarship is

given each year for a New Hampshire Poetry Out Loud educator. This year, with funding from CavanKerry Press a scholarship was given to a New Jersey Poetry Out Loud Educator.

- Additional CPT Opportunity: Teachers As Writers

June 27 – 28<sup>th</sup> - The Frost Place Teachers as Writers (TAW) is an intensive day and a half session for classroom teachers who want to focus on their own writing and revision practices. The workshop is limited to participants who have already attended the CPT. Directly following the Conference on Poetry and Teaching, TAW brought back poet-teacher Baron Wormser. Nine educators participated.

- Conference on Poetry (formerly the Festival and Conference on Poetry)

From July 14 to July 20, 2013, The Frost Place hosted the Conference on Poetry (COP). The COP is an intense “poetry camp” that includes workshops, readings, and discussions. Instructors included conference director, Martha Rhodes, as well as respected poets Sally Ball, Kevin Prufer, Daniel Tobin, and Christine Casson. Our 2013 Poetry Fellow was Matthew Olzmann, author of *Mezzanines*. 31 poets attended the Conference on Poetry.

- Poetry Seminar (formerly the Advanced Seminar)

The Poetry Seminar, August 4 – 10th, invited study in a specialized program by 19 poets. Instructors this year included director, Patrick Donnelly, Viee Francis, David Baker, and special guest Page Hill Starzinger.

- Frost Day

Established in 1979 by official act of former New Hampshire Governor Hugh Gallen, this event is held every July in celebration of the life and work of Robert Frost. This year the event was on July 7<sup>th</sup>, the 34<sup>th</sup> annual Frost Day. Nicole Terez Dutton and Sydney Lea gave featured readings. Fiddler and poet Ken Waldman performed both music and poetry to start off the day. Frost Place staff member Sarah Audsley facilitated a kid-friendly poetry activity.

## THE FROST PLACE & COMMUNITY

The Frost Place is truly a community place - it is part of the Franconia area community - as was Robert Frost when he lived here in the early 20th century, and it continues because of the generosity and passion of community members dedicated to keeping it alive! We cannot continue our good work without the support of both the local community and the wider, international poetry audience. The Frost Place is dependent on a community-wide effort to keep going and we are fortunate to have some special friends engaged in this effort. Volunteer support is provided towards: gardening, caretaking, catering, cleaning, event planning and general maintenance. We continue to be grateful to all of the area volunteers and businesses who support The Frost Place with generous contributions of their time and their financial resources!

- Dan Fowler has provided ongoing support as our volunteer “caretaker,” keeping a close eye on the Museum throughout the year.
- Patti & David Schaffer generously funded the gardening services that kept the flower beds in front of the Museum in tip top shape from spring through fall.
- Two Clean For You, Gary Biadasz, donated his cleaning services at the end of the season, which helped reduce our overall cleaning costs. His excellent service is gratefully appreciated.
- Meri Hern donated her catering services to The Frost Place this year. She has been supportive and an excellent caterer for The Frost Place.
- Wendy Manning donated her catering services to The Frost Place through her business Wendle’s. We work with her to provide dinners for our program participants.
- Martha Evelyn volunteered many, many hours of her time helping The Frost Place with event planning and promotion. Her contribution in these efforts was invaluable to the success of The Frost Place this year.
- Toy Garfield lent her talents to the interior of the house and spent time cleaning painting, and making the house a more comfortable place for the Poet in Residence to live. Her mother also donated making a seat cushion for the rocking chair in Robert Frost’s upstairs bedroom.

We continue to be grateful to all of the area volunteers and businesses who support The Frost Place with generous contributions of their time and their financial resources!

Respectfully submitted,  
Maudelle Driskell, Executive Director  
Sarah Audsley, Assistant to the Director

**FROST PLACE**  
**January through December 2013**

**INCOME**

App Fee – Poet in Residence	\$ 14,502.12
Book Sales	9,422.03
Food – Room & Board Fees	1,995.00
Museum Admissions	9,547.97
Tuition	78,679.00
Fundraising	89,577.01
Miscellaneous	2,604.49
Sales	<u>4,640.21</u>
Total Income	\$210,967.83

**EXPENSES**

Bank Service Charges	1,539.81
Board Expense	287.07
Building & Grounds	1,975.03
Consultant Services	20,116.16
Credit Card Merchant Fees	373.59
Dues and Subscriptions	1,799.25
Equipment	731.45
Food	4,578.64
Fundraising	467.72
Insurance	4,325.25
Lodging	33,827.98
Marketing	11,537.88
Merchandise	7,956.89
Miscellaneous	1,470.66
Office Supplies	891.25
Outreach Event Expenses	403.17
Payroll Expenses	116,811.90
Photocopying/Photography	143.51
Postage and Delivery	333.63
Program Discounts	3,992.00
Rent	4,981.00
Staff Development	97.50
Telephone	947.46
Travel	724.39
Utilities	<u>479.94</u>
Total Expense	220,793.13

**NET LOSS**

**(9,825.30)**

**FRANCONIA AREA HERITAGE COUNCIL  
AND  
FRANCONIA HERITAGE MUSEUM**

President's Summary for 2012-2013

The Franconia Heritage Museum marked its 15<sup>th</sup> year of operation in 2013. From 1998 through 2013, more than 6500 people have visited the Museum. Two hundred ninety eight visitors signed our guest book from November 1, 2012 to October 31, 2013. The Iron Furnace Interpretive Center had 987 visitors. Visitors came from 36 states other than New Hampshire and 10 other countries. Thirty one donors contributed 154 items to the Museum. During the past year the Board sponsored or participated in the events listed below.

<b>December 2012</b>	Gift Shop Open 4 Saturdays before Christmas Annual Christmas Open House/Music by Charles Micciche
<b>January 2013</b>	Bill Sargent at Franconia Town Hall--"Beach Wars: 10,000 Years on a Barrier Reef"
<b>February 2013</b>	Hosted Skating Party in conjunction with the Friends of the Abbie Greenleaf Library Book Sale
<b>Feb. to May 2013</b>	To ensure its preservation, the board spent most Wednesdays updating the catalog, photographing and placing in acid-free boxes our extensive clothing collection.
<b>May 2013</b>	Museum opened for its 15 <sup>th</sup> season Friday of Memorial Day Weekend Wolcott, VT Mennonite School visit
<b>May to Oct. 2013</b>	Museum open Fridays and Saturdays 1-4 pm from Memorial Day to Halloween
<b>June 2013</b>	Board members visited the Museum of the White Mountains in Plymouth Lafayette School 3 <sup>rd</sup> graders visited Museum Organized and sponsored Second Annual Open Air market on the Dow Field during the last weekend of the Fields of Lupine Festival
<b>July 2013</b>	Created parade float the July 4 <sup>th</sup> Old Home Day parade New Hampshire Humanities Council talk by Tom Hubka "Big House, Little House, Back House, Barn" held at Abbie Greenleaf Library

<b>August 2013</b>	Board visited the Sugar Hill Museum, toured exhibit “The Cookery” and discussed cooperation on 2014 exhibits. Hosted Franconia Notch Area Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours
<b>September 2013</b>	Fall Plant Sale
<b>October 2013</b>	Heritage Cafe at the Sugar Hill Autumn Celebration Closed for the Season Halloween weekend Home Schoolers from southern NH visited
<b>November 2013</b>	Board members attended NH Historical Society Photograph Preservation Workshop in Concord Annual Meeting and Dinner held at the Dutch Treat. Gift Shop open three days Thanksgiving weekend

Board members published two newsletters and performed Spring and Fall cleanups. New owners continue to improve the stone stack. The Barn roof was sealed and painted to cure leaks. 2014 exhibit will be on schools in the Franconia, Easton and Sugar Hill towns. Anyone with memories to share, PLEASE contact us.

The Franconia Area Heritage Council thanks the citizens of the Town of Franconia for their continued support.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nancy Heinemann, President (2012-2013)  
Franconia Area Heritage Council  
Board of Directors

## FRANCONIA ENERGY COMMISSION

### The Bottom Line

The Board of Selectmen created the Franconia Energy Commission to focus, primarily, on the Municipal energy bottom line. Though this year's total Municipal energy expense exceeded last year's by \$5,243, a significant decrease in heating expense resulted from the 2012 Key Buildings Energy Project. Marked expense increases included Franconia's road machinery fuel and the Franconia water system electric power and liquid propane.

### Preliminary Results of the 2012 Key Buildings Energy Project

	<u>2011-12 Expense</u>	<u>2012-13 Expense</u>	<u>Change</u>
Town Hall	\$7,527	\$5,660	
Safety Services Building	\$6,710	\$6,580	
Highway Garage	\$6,392	\$5,698	
Mittersill Firehouse	\$4,013	\$0	
	\$24,642	\$17,938	-\$6,704

Most of the above savings came by turning off the heat of the Mittersill Firehouse, now used for storage of low-temperature tolerant equipment. Even though the heat-savings projects for the other buildings are still incomplete, there were savings last year. Expect to see more in future years.

### Town Highway Vehicles and Machines

Highway Machines	\$18,465	\$24,759	\$6,294
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The average cost of Diesel fuel increased from \$3.47 to \$3.61, and accounts for part of the increased expense, but most of the increase helped the Highway Department give extra attention to Franconia's roads last summer.

### Franconia's Water System

Water System	\$11,488	\$16,116	\$4,628
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The Energy Commission found no record of liquid propane deliveries in 2011-12, though it is known that there has been an LP driven emergency generator on site for at least 3 years. In 2012-13, LP was delivered to the McGowan Hill Rd water pump station by Stiles Fuel Co, as can be seen in the table. In addition, last year the water pumps drew more electric power than in the year before. The net increase in the water system energy expense is shown above. For the Energy Commission, there exists an air of mystery surrounding this increase. With further Commission education, the mystery will unravel.

The three changes listed above account for \$4,218 of the total \$5,243 increase in last year's Municipal energy expense. For a full comparison of the last two years' expenses refer to the 2012 Financial Report. A one-page copy of the 2011-12 Energy Expense report (now including school busses) is also available at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jack Cook, Chairman

## FRANCONIA TOWN ENERGY, 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013

	Expenses		Gallons	Fuel
	Electricity	Fuel	Total	Type
<b>Key Buildings</b>				
Town Hall	\$1,447	\$5,660	\$7,107	1629 #2
Safety Services Building	\$3,578	\$6,580	\$10,158	3309 LP
Highway Garage	\$1,362	\$5,698	\$7,060	2791 LP
Mittersill Firehouse	\$1,846	\$0	\$1,846	0 #2
<b>Town Vehicles &amp; Machines</b>				
Buildings & Grounds		\$4,321	\$4,321	1383 Unld & Dsl
Police		\$9,096	\$9,096	2941 Unld
Fire Department		\$1,197	\$1,197	337 Dsl
Life Squad		\$2,100	\$2,100	586 Dsl
Highway		\$24,759	\$24,759	6900 Dsl
Abbie Greenleaf Library	\$1,972	\$4,740	\$6,712	1365 #2
Transfer Station	\$2,066	\$3,316	\$5,382	924 #2 & LP
Maintenance Garage	\$651	\$1,197	\$1,848	549 LP
Skating Rink	\$587	\$572	\$1,159	287 LP
Dow Clock	\$263		\$263	
Dow Field	\$191		\$191	
Cemetery Utility Shed	\$207		\$207	
Water System	\$14,277	\$1,839	\$16,116	927 LP
Streetlights	<u>21370</u>		<u>21370</u>	
<b>Municipal Bottom Line</b>	<b>\$49,817</b>	<b>\$71,075</b>	<b>\$120,892</b>	

The total energy used by the Town of Franconia includes its schools, as shown below. (Note that the energy used by School Busses is included this year for the first time, thanks to the work of the Ammonoosuc Regional Energy Team.)

Lafayette School	\$16,747	\$27,292	\$44,039	8060 #2
Profile School	\$20,884	\$15,915	\$36,799	4700 #2
School Busses		\$17,766	\$17,766	4935 Dsl
<b>Total Schools</b>	<b>\$37,631</b>	<b>\$60,973</b>	<b>\$98,604</b>	
<b>Total Franconia</b>	<b>\$87,448</b>	<b>\$132,048</b>	<b>\$219,496</b>	

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FRANCONIA**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2013**

Date & Place Of Birth	Name Of Child	Name Of Father & Mother
May 29, 2013 Franconia, NH	Silas Burbaker Holder	Mary Brubaker Jonathan Holder
December 7, 2013 Franconia, NH	Eliza Beatrix Jay	Alexandra Wallace Jay Josiyah Jay

**MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF FRANCONIA**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2013**

Date & Place Of Marriage	Name and Surname Of Groom & Bride	Residence of Each At Time Of Marriage
April 27, 2013 Franconia, NH	Richard J. Grima Morgan A. Parker	Franconia, NH Franconia, NH
May 17, 2013 Franconia, NH	William F. McCarthy, III Laura N. Coleman	Franconia, NH Franconia, NH
June 16, 2013 Meredith, NH	Matthew R. Wills Stacey L. Dumais	Franconia, NH Center Harbor, NH
August 3, 2013 Landaff, NH	William K. Demers Jr. Karen Bean	Franconia, NH Franconia, NH
September 7, 2013 Sugar Hill, NH	Steven H. Heath Robin M. Hunt	Franconia, NH Franconia, NH
September 28, 2013 Franconia, NH	Priscilla D. Bureau Jacqueline K. Mimranek	Franconia, NH Franconia, NH

**DEATHS REGISTERED**  
**IN THE TOWN OF FRANCONIA**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 2013**

Date & Place Of Death	Name & Surname Of Deceased	Name & Surname Of Father	Maiden Name Of Mother
January 14, 2013 Franconia, NH	Helen Allaire	Antonio Huot	Beatrice Dutil
January 19, 2013 Littleton, NH	Kathleen Nelson	Joseph Nelson	Alice Chamberlain
January 28, 2013 Franconia, NH	Beatrice Gadbois	Verne Pressey	Mabel Ball

January 28, 2013 Littleton, NH	Erlyne Eklund	Ernest Mahoney	Margaret Shea
January 30, 2013 Littleton, NH	Alice Nelson	James Chamberlain	Hermie Mcans
February 5, 2013 Franconia, NH	Margaret Hanks	Albert Hill	Edna Erwin
March 16, 2013 Littleton, NH	Noreen Williams	Norman Rippel	Sady McDonald
March 28, 2013 Lebanon, NH	Louis Sanborn	Irvin Sanborn	Eleanor Wilkins
April 30, 2013 Franconia, NH	Barbara Dahl	K. Johanson	Ingrid Tapper
May 20, 2013 Littleton, NH	Barbara Casey	Wendell Silver	Fontelle Aldrich
June 13, 2013 Franconia, NH	Wilfred Wessels	Leonard Wessels	Martha Baines
July 19, 2013 Franconia, NH	Alice Clough	Oliver Longchamp	Laura Bedard
September 9, 2013 Littleton, NH	Rita Besaw	Zaccheo Zandrini	Mary Garutti
September 14, 2013 Franconia, NH	Marion Broderick	Frank Demmer	Dorothy Braun
October 25, 2013 Franconia, NH	Betty Larson	Earl Francis	Helen Murphy
November 6, 2013 Franconia, NH	Elizabeth Lowden	Walter Chase	Mary Smith
December 3, 2013 Littleton, NH	Carol Parent	Edward Parent	Nora McCarthy
December 6, 2013 Franconia, NH	Joseph Nelson	Albert Nelson	Evelyn Dries
December 16, 2013 Littleton, NH	Eleanor Fink	Sven Hanson	Anna Munson
December 29, 2013 Franconia, NH	Mabel Normand	Thomas Drouin	Marie Couture
December 30, 2013 Franconia, NH	Georgia Fraser	Frank Libby	Annie Butcher

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MONDAY.....	n. to	2:00 p.m.
TUESDAY .....	n. to	2:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY .....	n. to	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY.....	m. to	3:00 p.m.
	m. to	1:00 p.m.
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MONDAY.....	12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
TUESDAY.....	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY .....	9:00 a.m to 12:00 p.m.
THURSDAY.....	CLOSED
FRIDAY .....	12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
SATURDAY .....	12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.
SUNDAY.....	12:00 noon to 5:00 p.m.

## ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY 823-8424

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WEDNESDAY (November - April) .....	2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY (May - October) .....	2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY.....	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
FRIDAY .....	2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
SATURDAY .....	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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